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# Over 30 cars vandalized in Bay Ridge over the weekend

BY JAIME DEJESUS

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Here we go again. Dozens of Bay Ridge residents who parked along Shore Road in the 70s woke up on the morning of Sunday, Nov. 17 to slashed tires and keyed cars.

This latest incident comes after about 35 cars were keyed or had their tires slashed over the past month between 83rd and 93rd streets, with many of the incidents occurring on the weekend of Oct. 26. To try to thwart the vandalism, after the earlier incidents, the 68th Precinct had increased patrols in the area in the overnight hours and set up light towers.

More recently, according to an NYPD spokesperson, “The commanding officer of the 68th Precinct ... has deployed Neighborhood Coordination Officers, patrol officers and anti-crime personnel to the area to conduct patrols to monitor the area and search for a suspect(s) during every tour. The Detective Squad has increased personnel to help enhance the investigation, which remains ongoing.”

Among the people asking for stepped-up patrols has been Councilmember Justin Brannan, who on Sunday broke the bad news via social media. “As you may have heard, many cars were vandalized last night along Shore Road in the 70s (tires slashed, etc),” he wrote. “I’ve spoken with the 68 Precinct and they are looking for video. If your car was hit last night, please file a police report. NYPD will

have increased patrols in this area.”

Also asking for an increased police presence was State Sen. Andrew Gounardes who, in a joint statement with Brannan, said, “We cannot and will not allow vandals to damage our neighborhood with impunity. We have demanded more resources from City Hall, NYPD Patrol Borough Brooklyn South and have asked that the 68th Precinct immediately increase patrolling during the overnight hours in Bay Ridge and Dyker Heights. It is imperative that the NYPD catch these vandals as soon as possible and we will do whatever we can to support the 68th Precinct to make sure that happens. In the meantime, let’s all be safe, keep our eyes open and look out for each other.”

“The safety and wellbeing of all those in our community is paramount and needs to be prioritized,” agreed Rep. Max Rose. “The low-lives responsible for the recent string of vandalism along Shore Road and Third Avenue must be brought to justice. My team and I are in contact with the 68th Precinct and encourage anyone with information to reach out to the authorities.”

Local resident John O’Brien saw the aftermath of the vandalism.

“I happened to be going for a stroll from my house and saw all these cars with flat tires,” he said. “My wife and



Photos courtesy of John O’Brien

**A look at the damage done to cars parked along Shore Road in the 70s over the weekend.**

I and some neighbors have been going to the community board meeting and NCO meeting at Xaverian High School on Wednesday and complained to our police officers that are supposed to be in our sector.

“Their excuse,” O’Brien said, “is that they don’t have enough manpower in the precinct.”

A longtime Bay Ridge

activist and resident who lives nearby told this paper what she saw.

“I first found out about it on Sunday morning,” the person said. “I got an email. Someone was alerting anyone that parked on Shore Road between 72-76nd Streets that all the tires had been slashed and keyed. I looked outside and sure enough there were people that were changing their

tires, just walking back and forth. There was a guy that came to change people’s tires from a company and he was there all day. He was going back and forth from car to car.”

She also added that flatbed trucks were coming throughout the day.

“I just felt so terrible,” the resident continued. “It’s outrageous that this kind of damage was done to so many cars. I really couldn’t believe it. People were communicating on the Facebook page that there were 32 cars [vandalized]. That’s unbelievable.”

Assemblymember Nicole Malliotakis — who has railed against law enforcement various policy changes such as the impending elimination of bail in many instances — blamed “the pro-crime and anti-policing policies adopted by City Hall and the state legislature” for the “increase of these types of incidents and a decrease in quality of life.”

“They said I was ‘fear mongering,’ denied the broken windows theory, created more laws to protect the bad guys and made crime victims second-class citizens,” she went on. “Now, we are feeling it. New York Democrats in control of all levels of government MUST start putting the protection of law-abiding citizens and our communities first.”

The activist, who was born and brought up in Bay Ridge, told this paper she had never seen anything like what went on along Shore Road this weekend.

“I can’t believe the magnitude of this. I can’t believe that much damage in one night, how some people can be so mean,” she said. “This is such an assault on the safety and serenity of Bay Ridge.”

In the meantime, cops are still looking for the vandals. In a tweet, the 68th Precinct asked people with information to call detectives at 718-439-4236.

## Brannan offers reward, putting his (own) money where his mouth is

BY JOHN ALEXANDER

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In response to a recent crime wave in Bay Ridge that left dozens of cars vandalized with their tires slashed, Councilmember Justin Brannan has offered a \$5,000 reward for information leading to the arrest of those responsible. The money would come from his own pocket, he promised, because he says he is determined to see the perpetrators brought to justice.

Brannan’s announcement was made, to a loud round of applause, at the Community Board 10 meeting on Monday, Nov. 18, after 68th Precinct Commanding Officer Capt. Robert Conwell updated board members on the issue.

In his comments, Conwell explained that the police were on high alert and that he has increased patrols throughout the neighborhood. He said they were doing everything in their power to apprehend the criminals. Brannan



Photo courtesy of City Councilmember Justin Brannan

**City Councilmember Justin Brannan speaking at Community Board 10 meeting.**

said that his reward might serve as an added incentive for those who might have information about the crimes.

Prior to a spate of vandalism over the weekend, in which dozens of cars were keyed or had their tires slashed along Shore Road in the 70s, more than 35 cars were vandalized over the course of about a month between 83rd and 93rd streets. Conwell told board members that he and his team were also personally involved in canvassing video footage

for the suspects.

He noted that most of the vandalism has occurred in secluded areas and along the tree-lined side of the street. Extra lighting has been added along the corridor in hopes of deterring further vandalism, he said. With the additional lighting in the 90s, Conwell said that the vandalism was pushed up into the ‘70s, with over 70 vehicles vandalized to date.

Brannan believes the reward he’s offering might spur someone to offer valuable information about the

multiple cases of vandalism along Shore Road. “I care very deeply for the neighborhoods I represent so I take it personally when something like this happens,” he said. “I decided to put my money where my mouth is because we can’t let someone get away with this. I hope it will help bring forward people who may have information and lead to an arrest. Someone knows something.”

If anyone has any information, call the NYPD 68th Precinct Detective Squad at 718-439-4236

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# Wanna take guided tour of Dyker Lights? Get ready to pay \$399!

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**W**e knew the Dyker Heights Christmas Lights display is a popular tourist attraction, but guided tours of the neighborhood for \$399?

That's what one tour company is promoting and community leaders said they're not a bit surprised.

"Everybody is making a mint, everybody but the community," Dyker Heights Civic Association President Fran Vella-Marrone told the Home Reporter after she learned that a company called Family in New York, Inc. offers private tours of Dyker Heights during the Christmas season for \$399.

The company runs tours of Dyker Heights from Dec. 1 to Dec. 30, according to its website. [www.familyinnewyork.com](http://www.familyinnewyork.com). The tours, which use minivans to transport passengers, take four hours.

"Our Dyker Heights Christmas tour highlights

a Brooklyn neighborhood that can be seen from outer space at Christmas time, due to the volume and density of all of its Christmas lights and decorations. Neighborhood residents spend tens of thousands of dollars each year decorating their homes and yards for Christmas, with many hiring professional decorators," a promotion on the company's website reads.

There are other companies that offer guided tours of Dyker Heights, including one that has a fleet of stretch limos and features excursions that start at \$595 for a five-hour jaunt.

The high-priced tours are further proof that the Dyker Heights Christmas lights display has truly hit the big time, said Community Board 10 District Manager Josephine Beckmann. "It has become a tourist destination," she told the Home Reporter.

The \$399 tour caused a flurry of comments on Facebook after one user

posted a link to it.

"Am I seeing things? Starting at \$399. Who is getting rich? Not Dyker Heights," wrote Sandy Irrera.

"This is ridiculous that u (sic) have to pay [to] see the lights. I pass by for free. Not worth 400 dollars," Effie Noufrios wrote in a comment.

The Christmas lights display started out decades ago as a small, neighborhood-oriented event. It has grown in popularity in recent years.

From Thanksgiving until New Year's Day, dozens of Dyker Heights homeowners put on a jaw-dropping extravaganza, decorating their front lawns and balconies with thousands of twinkling lights, giant Santas, dancing reindeer, enormous "Nutcracker Suite" figures, snowflakes and glowing angels.

Visitors come on foot, in cars, even tour buses to take a look.

"I knew about the big tour buses. That has been



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**The Dyker Heights Christmas lights are so popular, tourists are willing to pay nearly \$400 to take a look.**

happening for years," Vella-Marrone said. "Last year, I started to notice minivans on the street. Whenever there's a new development, we have to adjust to it. We can't stop them from coming. They are allowed to travel the city."

The tourism boom in a residential community like Dyker Heights "shows why we need extra resources from the city during the Christmas season,"

Beckmann said.

The city has made efforts to control traffic. The NYPD assigns additional cops to the neighborhood. Last month, the City Council passed a bill sponsored by Councilmember Justin Brannan to ban sidewalk vendors at most hours during the holiday season.

There are signs that tour company operators are aware that Dyker Heights is not Rockefeller Center.

Family in New York, Inc., for example, starts its tours early.

"We start no later than 6 p.m., as the residents of the neighborhood use 9 p.m. as the hour to begin turning their lights off. One warning in advance, it takes a while to get there during the evening rush hour," the website promotion reads.

Representatives of Family in New York, Inc. did not return messages.

# Vendor ban should make Dyker Lights tolerable, officials say

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**A** new city law banning street vendors from selling food and souvenirs in the prime viewing area for the Dyker Heights Christmas lights display will face its first test at this year's holiday event, and local officials said they're confident it will make a big difference.

"I do expect the new law to help," Capt. Robert Conwell, commanding officer of the 68th Precinct, told residents at a Dyker Heights Civic Association meeting on Nov. 12.

The 68th Precinct covers Dyker Heights and Bay Ridge.

The new law also gives the NYPD teeth to enforce the ban on vendors, according to officials.

"If they refuse to leave, they are subject to arrest," Conwell said.

The City Council voted last month to approve a bill sponsored by Councilmember Justin Brannan to impose a ban on vendors in the area of Dyker Heights located between 10th and 13th avenues from 81st Street to 86th Street from Thanksgiving Day to New

Year's Day, the height of the viewing season.

The Dyker Heights Christmas lights display, also known as Dyker Lights, has put the neighborhood on the map.

Dozens of homeowners decorate their front lawns and balconies with thousands of twinkling lights, giant Santas, dancing reindeer, enormous "Nutcracker Suite" figures, snowflakes and glowing angels. Many of the homeowners add to the festive mood by playing pre-recorded Christmas songs on sound systems.

The Christmas season event attracts hundreds of thousands of visitors each year, including tourists who arrive in Dyker Heights on tour buses.

But along with the festive lights show there are traffic jams, noise and lots of trash, residents said.

Dyker Heights Civic Association President Fran Vella-Marrone and Community Board 10 District Manager Josephine Beckmann worked for months with Brannan and city officials to find solutions.

The vendors have caused numerous problems during the Christmas season and

cracking down on them was a necessary step to bring a sense of order to the event, according to residents and local officials.

Tourists buy food and beverages from vendors and then toss the food wrappings, cans and bottles on the ground, Brannan said when his legislation was approved.

In addition, Jonathan Yedin, a senior advisor to Brannan, told residents at the civic association meeting Tuesday night that the vendors increase noise and air pollution in the neighborhood by parking their trucks in one spot for lengthy periods. "They sit there and idle their car for hours at a time," he said.

Conwell agreed. "They would come at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, get their spot and stay there all day," he said.

Beckmann said the new law was instituted out of concern for public safety. "There are safety issues, pedestrian safety," she said, adding that the exhaust fumes from the vendors' trucks are harmful. "There are fumes and smoke. We had [concerns raised by] parents with kids with asthma," she said.

The new law "gives the



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**Capt. Robert Conwell said he expects the new law to help.**

NYPD and the Department of Health a good, clear-cut way to ticket and enforce," Yedin said.

Brannan carefully crafted the bill to pass constitutional muster, Yedin said.

Technically speaking, the ban is in place from 2 p.m. until 6 a.m., not 24 hours a day. The bill was written that way, according to Yedin, out of concern that a full-out, 24-hour ban might cause a vendor to challenge the ban in court.

Residents expressed concern that vendors could

circumvent the law by setting up shop in homeowners' driveways, rather than on the street. Beckmann sought to calm those fears. "You cannot vend there, even on private property," she said.

The community board plans to send out a large mailing of informational fliers to Dyker Heights residents to familiarize homeowners with city regulations, Beckmann said.

State Sen. Andrew Gounardes told Dyker Heights Civic Association

members that while the Dyker lights situation is primarily a city issue, rather than a state issue, his office is standing by ready to help residents.

"The Dyker lights are a great tradition, but they've also caused a major headache for the neighborhood," Gounardes told this paper in a statement. "With new city legislation to stop vendors from operating and a proactive approach to sanitation and quality-of-life issues, we hope to help alleviate residents' concerns. My office is here to help and we urge Dyker Heights residents to reach out should they need assistance."

Residents at the meeting said they were grateful for the new law but expressed concern over vehicular traffic on the narrow, one-way streets at the height of the season, as well as the problems caused by tour buses parking on 86th Street near 12th Avenue.

Conwell said the tour bus operators are free to travel anywhere they wish.

"We have to be realistic. We can't make the traffic disappear. All we can do is control it," he said.



Photo courtesy of Gale Zarr

Merchandise on display at a previous St. Mary's Christmas Boutique.

## 'TIS THE SEASON: HOLIDAY MARKETS AND BOUTIQUES ARE ON THEIR WAY

BY JOHN ALEXANDER

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It's just about that time of year where schools and churches hold their annual boutiques and flea markets that allow residents to shop local. It's the perfect opportunity to pick up some unique gifts, while at the same time supporting a good cause.

First up is Our Saviour's Lutheran Church at 414 80th St. in Bay Ridge, hosting its annual Holiday Sale & Flea Market on Saturday, Nov. 23rd from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be Christmas decorations for sale, raffles, toys and a gourmet table with coffee and cake available.

On Saturday, Nov. 23rd from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Sunday, Nov. 24th from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., Fourth Avenue Presbyterian Church at 6753 Fourth Ave. will host its annual Christmas Bazaar featuring a blend of new and slightly used merchandise for sale.

Also on Saturday, Nov. 23rd and Sunday, Nov. 24th from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., St. Patrick's Parish on 97th Street in Bay Ridge will host its Christmas Craft & Vendor Fair in the Aldo Bruschi Auditorium. The two-day

event features homemade, home baked, one-of-a-kind items. There will also be crafts, a 50/50 raffle, a door prize and breakfast and lunch items for sale.

On Friday, Dec. 6th, the Fort Hamilton Army Base will present its Holiday Market & Tree Lighting Spectacular, getting guests in the holiday spirit with unique gifts by local artisans and artists, traditional food, rides, an appearance from Santa and more. The market starts at 4 p.m. and the tree lighting starts at 5:30 p.m. The event is open to the public.

For over 25 years, St. Mary's Antiochian Church on 81st Street and Ridge Boulevard in Bay Ridge has held its Christmas Boutique, signaling the beginning of the holiday season.

The boutique has become a community event that celebrates the Christmas season while promoting the Bay Ridge shopkeepers that have contributed to the boutique. Guests can shop for a wide variety of Christmas items, including collectibles, linens, gift baskets, jewelry and pastries. This year's event will take place on Saturday, Dec. 7 from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 8 from 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. in St. Mary's Couri Hall.

# Seventh annual Fred L. Mazzilli Lung Cancer Screening Awareness Day takes place in Coney Island

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Trying to hit a home run in putting an end to lung cancer, NewYork-Presbyterian (NYP) Brooklyn Methodist Hospital in collaboration with Weill Cornell Medicine's Center for Health Equity hosted the Seventh Annual Fred L. Mazzilli Lung Cancer Screening Awareness Day.

The Fred L. Mazzilli Foundation was founded after former MLB player, coach and manager Lee Mazzilli's brother Fred died from the disease.

Held on Friday, Nov. 8 at Coney Island Seaside Innovative Senior Center, 3001 West 37th St., the event featured free screenings, educational materials, giveaways, a lecture from doctors and more.

Dr. Anthony Saleh, who treated Fred and has been a part of the event since its inception, told this paper what holding the event accomplishes.

"The Mazzilli family do this from their heart and soul, and to be involved every year just gets more special," he said. "The most important thing is, if you are a candidate for screening, 55-79, have a history of smoking, if you've stopped within 15 years, go get screened, because we never had a screening test that saved lives and now we do, and we should take advantage of it."



Photo by Larry Henderson

Jennifer Liu, lung cancer program coordinator at NYP BMH; Dr. Ruth Minkin, attending pulmonologist at NYP BMH; lung cancer survivor Laretta Folk; and Dr. Sebron Harrison, chief of thoracic surgery at NYP BMH.

Screenings such as the ones held during the Mazzilli event have saved lives, Saleh stressed.

"We have seven or eight examples here of people that had small spots that we picked up that, if we weren't screening, we wouldn't have picked up," Saleh said. "Or if we did pick it up, it would've been too late. Now, a couple of them have had surgery and are thriving. This is the whole point of this. To save lives."

During its first few years, the event took place at NewYork-Presbyterian Brooklyn Methodist Hospital. Recently, Saleh said, it has been important to branch out to other areas.

"What [the hospital] has done is they've tried to target high-risk communities," he said. "This year, they targeted Coney Island. Next year, we may branch out to somewhere else but

certainly we want to get out in our borough."

Saleh met Fred Mazzilli in 2011 when he was diagnosed with lung cancer and quickly grew fond of him and his family.

"Fred was sort of the patriarch of the family," he explained. "He was Lee's older brother and sort of advised everybody. He was just such a kind and warm-hearted guy. Once he passed, [his family] wanted to try to make it where no one else had to go through what they went through."

Among the speakers at the event was 72-year-old lung cancer survivor Laretta Folk, who was diagnosed with stage 3 lung cancer over a year ago when she went to NYM. "I told [the doctors at NYM] I had been seeing a doctor for years and they never thought to test me for cancer, and they knew I

had been smoking for over 40 years," she said. "My two sisters had cancer and they both died from it. One had cervical cancer, the other had lung cancer and she had never smoked a day in her life. My first husband died from prostate cancer and lung cancer. Cancer is a killer."

Thanks to the fact that she was screened and treated, Folk is currently in remission and on the mend. "I feel great," she said. "You just have to do what they say. I never missed an appointment. I knew that stage four was the end of the battle so I had to work hard. When they told me I had lung cancer, the first thing I thought to myself was that I am going to die."

The Fred L. Mazzilli Foundation "gave me my life back, along with the doctors," Folk said. "And I really appreciate it."

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## POLICE BEAT

### Police release image of suspect wanted in connection to mass vandalism on and near Shore Road

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Cops have released a surveillance image of a suspect they believe to be connected to the vandalism of at least 50 cars in Bay Ridge over the last month.

According to authorities, between Saturday, Nov. 16 at 9:30 p.m. and Sunday, Nov. 17 at around 7:30 a.m., the unknown man damaged cars parked on Shore Road between Bay Ridge Avenue and Bay Ridge Parkway, slashing tires and keying them. The suspect is wanted for multiple counts of criminal mischief and vandalism.

Previously, around 35 cars were keyed or had their tires slashed between 83rd and 93rd streets, also on or near Shore Road.

The 68th Precinct had increased patrols prior to the most recent vandalism spree, and is continuing to saturate the area with cops. According to an NYPD spokesperson, “The commanding officer of the 68th Precinct ... has deployed Neighborhood Coordination Officers, patrol officers and anti-crime personnel to the area to conduct patrols to monitor the area and search for a suspect(s) during every tour. The Detective Squad has increased personnel to help enhance the investigation, which remains ongoing.”

There’s a reward being offered for



Photo courtesy of NYPD

#### Surveillance image of the suspect.

information leading to the arrest of the vandal with Councilmember Justin Brannan “putting up \$5,000 of his own money” to that end.

Anyone with information about the identity of the suspect is asked to call the NYPD’s Crime Stoppers Hotline at 1-800-577-TIPS (8477) or for Spanish, 1-888-57-PISTA (74782). The public can also submit their tips by logging onto the CrimeStoppers website at WWW.NYPD-CRIMESTOPPERS.COM or on Twitter @NYPDTips.

All calls are strictly confidential.

### 10 teenage crooks wanted for Brighton store robbery

BY JAIME DEJESUS

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Police are looking for 10 teenagers wanted for stealing \$12,000 worth of jackets from a clothing store in Brighton Beach, and assaulting two people in an incident last month.

According to authorities, on Sunday, Oct. 20 at around 5 p.m., the teens went into the store near Coney Island Avenue and Ocean View Avenue, grabbed 12 jackets from hangers and ran out with them, striking two of the store’s employees and pushing them to the ground as they fled. Police say the group headed eastbound on Brighton 10th Street.

Police describe the suspects as being in their late teens.

Anyone with information about the identity of the suspects is asked to call the NYPD’s Crime Stoppers Hotline at 1-800-577-TIPS (8477) or for Spanish, 1-888-57-PISTA



Photos courtesy of NYPD

#### Surveillance images of the suspects.

(74782). The public can also submit their tips by logging onto the CrimeStoppers website at www.

nypdcrimestoppers.com, or on Twitter @NYPDTips. All calls are strictly confidential.

Compiled by Jaime DeJesus

#### 68<sup>TH</sup> PRECINCT

**The 68th Precinct serves Bay Ridge, Dyker Heights and Fort Hamilton.**

**BAG SNATCHER:** An unknown crook snatched a purse from a woman at Bay Ridge Avenue and Fort Hamilton Parkway on Nov. 6 at around 10:30 a.m. Cops say the victim, 56, was sitting on the bench when the unknown perp snatched the bag from her lap and ran off. No arrests have been made.

**GETAWAY:** car parked in a driveway near Ridge Boulevard and 81st Street was stolen on Nov. 16 some time after around 9:30 a.m. when the owner, a 43-year-old woman, left it there. The last known whereabouts of the vehicle was on the Verrazzano-Narrows Bridge at around 3:33 a.m. the following day. No arrests have been made.

**UNLOCKED:** A wallet was stolen from inside a locker in a gym on 86th Street between Fourth and Fifth Avenues on Nov. 13. According to reports, at around 5:45 p.m., the victim, a 35-year-old man, left the wallet in the locker. After his workout, he returned and discovered that the lock had been broken and his wallet, which had three credit cards inside, was gone. Cops say one of the cards was used to make a \$303 MTA purchase. No arrests have been made.

**FIRE STARTER:** A fire was set in rubbish left in front of an apartment building on Ovington Avenue between Fourth and Fifth Avenues on Nov. 13 at around 12:05 p.m., according to police, who said that the blaze caused damage to the property. The FDNY has deemed the fire incendiary. No arrests have been made.

#### 62<sup>ND</sup> PRECINCT

**The 62nd Precinct serves Bensonhurst, Bath Beach and Gravesend.**

**TWO TEENS BUSTED IN ROBBERY:** Two 15-year-old boys were arrested for allegedly attacking another 15-year-old boy and stealing \$35 from him in a driveway on 78th Street between 18th and 19th Avenues on Nov. 19 at around 1:40 p.m. The victim told cops that he gave the suspects \$35 for a vape device. One of the suspects allegedly took out what the victim believed to be a gun and punched him in the face. The other suspect tried to prevent the victim from leaving, according to the police. Following the arrest, no firearm was recovered.

**MAN ARRESTED IN THEFT FROM TEEN:** A 25-year-old man was arrested for allegedly assaulting and robbing a 14-year-old boy at 85th Street and Bay Parkway on Nov. 11 at around 3:41 p.m. According to the police, the teen was walking home from school when the suspect approached him, allegedly made a fist and said, “Give me your money.” The victim claims that the man pushed him to the ground and took \$24 from him.

**76-YEAR-OLD SCAMMED OUT OF NEARLY 30K:** A woman who lives near Benson Avenue and 15th Avenue was scammed out of nearly \$30,000 by a man posing as a police officer from Mexico, according to the police. Cops say the victim, who is 76, got a phone call from a man identifying himself as Officer Aland from the Mexican Embassy. He allegedly told her that her grandson had been arrested

after getting into a car accident in Cancun after having a few drinks, and needed \$9,300 in cash as bail money. The perp went to her home and the victim handed him the cash in an envelope. Later, she received another phone call from the same suspect who said her grandson needed \$16,700 for car repairs. She withdrew the money and gave it to the same suspect. Finally, the perp demanded \$3,800 in Nike gift cards, allegedly to cover the victim’s grandson’s hospital bills. The woman bought the cards and gave the man the serial numbers over the phone. No arrests have been made.

**MAN BUSTED FOR ATTACKING, ROBBING WOMAN:** A 30-year-old man was arrested for allegedly attacking and robbing a 33-year-old woman at West First Street and Avenue P on Nov. 10 at around 10 p.m. Cops say the suspect followed the woman home, punched her in the back of the head and then stole her cell phone.

**ARRESTED DEVELOPMENT:** A 21-year-old man was arrested for allegedly stealing a phone from another man, 22, outside a restaurant near New Utrecht Avenue and Bay Ridge Avenue on Nov. 14 at around 2:25 a.m. According to the police, the arresting officer saw the 22-year-old man being escorted outside the restaurant by the suspect. The officer had previously told the suspect to leave the location several times. The suspect, who had a cut inside his mouth, then allegedly spit blood at the officer. When officers tried to place handcuffs on the suspect, he allegedly flailed his arms, at which point the victim’s phone fell out of the suspect’s jacket pocket.

# A year out, congressional race creating excitement

BY PAULA KATINAS

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The field of candidates looking to challenge freshman U.S. Rep. Max Rose next year is getting a bit crowded.

Rose, a Democrat, will be running for re-election in November, 2020 in New York's 11th Congressional District, a seat that takes in southwest Brooklyn and Staten Island. Rose, a U.S. Army veteran and Purple Heart recipient, first won the seat in November, 2018 and took office in January of this year.

Republican Assemblymember Nicole Malliotakis, who represents the 64th Assembly District (parts of Bay Ridge-Staten Island) announced several months ago that she intends to run against Rose. She is busy raising campaign funds and meeting with GOP leaders on Capitol Hill to garner support for her candidacy.

But Malliotakis would first have to win a Republican primary before taking on Rose.

Former Brooklyn assistant district attorney



Assemblymember Nicole Malliotakis.

Joseph Calderera recently announced that he is running for Rose's House seat. Another Republican hopeful, Joey Saladino, AKA Joey Salads, a YouTube sensation, has already thrown his hat into the ring.

Calderera, a former sex crimes prosecutor who resigned from his job to go into politics, kicked off his campaign with a rally on Staten Island last week.

"As your congressman, I will not be loyal to the Washington establishment," he told supporters. "I will not be loyal to the politicians who think they are owed favors. I will be loyal to you, the cops, the



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Rep. Max Rose.

firefighters, the sanitation workers, the teachers, the nurses, the paramedics, the small business owners, the bus drivers, train operators and the city employees."

Calderera identified himself as the "only true Conservative" in the race, a clear signal that he plans to run to Malliotakis' right.

Calderera said the 11th C.D., which President Donald Trump won handily in 2016, deserves a candidate who "fully supports the president and his America First agenda and is fighting for the rights and prosperity of all American citizens."

Trump could be a factor in the local House race. He



Photo courtesy of Calderera campaign

Joseph Calderera, a first time candidate, described himself as the only true Conservative in the race.

will be at the top of the GOP ticket and remains popular in the Staten Island portion of the district. His popularity could help the Republican in the race.

Malliotakis, who first won her Assembly seat in 2010 and ran unsuccessfully against Mayor Bill de Blasio in 2017, is unfazed by the prospect of running in a primary, said Rob Ryan, her campaign spokesperson.

"Assemblywoman Nicole Malliotakis' campaign for Congress has raised nearly \$1 million and is 100 percent focused on defeating Max Rose in next November's election so she can go to Washington to fight lower taxes, create jobs and improve healthcare for the people of the 11th Congressional District," Ryan told the Home Reporter in an email.

The National Republican Congressional Committee named Malliotakis one of its Young Guns.

Young Guns is a recruitment program that identifies promising candidates across the country who show signs of running successful House campaigns.

Meanwhile, Rose isn't worried about his re-election, according to a campaign spokesperson.

"In less than a year, Max Rose passed the law to finally get the seawall built, successfully protected our toll discount, beat back FEMA's secret efforts to raise premiums on homeowners and permanently funded the 9/11 Victim Compensation Fund. We wish Mr. Calderera well as he tries to convince his fellow Republicans why he is a better choice than former lobbyist

Nicole Malliotakis who has zero accomplishments and Joey Salads who urinates in his own mouth for YouTube views," the spokesperson told the Home Reporter.

The spokesperson was referring to a tweet Saladino wrote in 2018 in which he boasted, "I drank my piss today."

The description of Malliotakis as a former lobbyist is misleading, according to her campaign.

Prior to winning her Assembly seat, Malliotakis was a community affairs representative for Con Edison. The company had a policy of having their community affairs representatives register as lobbyists because they came into contact with elected officials and Malliotakis never did any lobbying, her campaign said.

## Construction at Bay Ridge station rips through historic tile work

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Local history buff is blasting the MTA after its contractors ripped through century-old mosaic tile work while renovating the 86th Street station in Bay Ridge.

"MTA's contractors have seriously damaged, removed and cut through the original 1916 mosaic tile work from when this station opened 103 years ago," Kelly Carroll, director of advocacy and community outreach at the Historic Districts Council, told the Home Reporter Thursday, shortly after she first noticed the wreckage.

"When I was coming home last night, I saw that,

on half of the wall, contractors cut all of the tile completely, and it wasn't even cut in a straight line, which tells me there's no preservation plan here," Carroll said. "And looking at a lot of the pieces themselves, you can tell they've been bludgeoned. It's very evident to me that nobody working in that station was given any direction from anyone to be mindful of the destruction of the artwork."

Though the station has been made over time and time again, Carroll recounted that, until this week, at least two spots within the station were still home to the terminal's original tiling.

"Around the booth and along the stairs as you descend from 86th Street



Photos by Kelly Carroll

Century-old tile work was damaged by contractors for the MTA during renovations at the R train's 86th Street station.

and Fourth Avenue," she said. "There's a criss-cross pattern and those are the ones from 1916 when the station — originally the



first and last stop on the line — opened."

The most recent construction at the terminal began last June, when the

MTA moved forward with a plan to make the station Americans with Disabilities Act accessible.

The project — slated to continue through next summer — technically dates back to 2004 when the neighborhood's 95th Street station was chosen as one of 100 key stations to get an elevator. Thirteen years later, the MTA decided to transform the hub one stop over, instead.

But Carroll's frustrations have nothing to do with the plan. Rather, it is the execution that has her wishing the tiles — and the now-visible terra-cotta fireproofing behind them — had some sort of protection. "There is so little left of the original tiles along the R

line in Brooklyn in general, and in this station what is left, in my opinion, should not be discarded or destroyed," she told this paper. "Manhattan's stations' tiles are cherished, why should this be any different?"

There is an added irony in it all, Carroll said.

"The Transit Museum and the MTA itself sells merchandise with that exact tile work on it," she said, "so it's this weird thing where [the MTA] is proud of the artwork that's below our city, but then [their] contractors are destroying it."

Councilmember Justin Brannan's office told the Home Reporter it has reached out to the MTA and is looking into Carroll's concerns.

The MTA did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

# Pay parity is now a reality for CBO pre-K teachers

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It looks like it's finally time to take that victory lap around the schoolyard as the mayor and city councilmembers have officially announced pay parity for pre-K educators working with community-based organizations with those working with the Department of Education.

On Monday, Nov. 18, Mayor Bill de Blasio and City Council Speaker Corey Johnson announced that the city has honored its promise to establish a pathway to pay parity between certified early childhood education teachers at CBOs — who had been paid significantly less than early childhood educators at the DOE — and entry-rate salaries for DOE teachers by October 2021. Many children in the city's Pre-K for All program attend class at CBOs, which supplement offerings at DOE sites.

"Early childhood education opens up a world of possibilities for our youngest New Yorkers and their families," said de Blasio. "In June, we committed to creating a pathway to pay parity for community-based childhood education providers, and in less than six months

we have delivered."

The first agreement to reach pay parity was announced five months ago, when de Blasio said his administration would increase salaries for a starting pre-K teacher with a master's degree at a CBO by \$20,000, bringing wages in line with what the DOE pays.

He also pledged additional compensation for non-certified teachers and support staff, as well as help with health care costs.

There were some glaring discrepancies in the original agreement, however. For example, non-union teachers were not going to benefit immediately from the pay parity arrangement, health care cost reductions and pension increase.

At the time, City Council Education Committee Chair Mark Treyger called it a model for moving forward for all certified teachers, but it left a bitter taste in the mouths of non-union teachers.

Alice Mulligan, director at Our Saviour's Lutheran Preschool at 414 80th St. in Bay Ridge, was extremely disappointed at the time because of the failure to include non-unionized teachers. Today, she appeared thrilled with the new agreement.

"Apparently the mayor and Corey Johnson have



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**Educators rallied with Assemblymember Nicole Malliotakis for pay parity earlier this year.**

kept their word," Mulligan told this paper. "This covers everybody, regardless of whether they are in the union or not. It appears that this includes support staff. It seems like the mayor and the City Council listened to us."

Mulligan continued, "While the intention of pre-K for All was very good, the roll-out was remarkably fast and with that, it destabilized the New York City early childhood community. You had people jumping from school to school to get better wages, to get healthcare, so it was a revolving door for many school personnel, and that does not provide any stability for our children."

With the Nov. 18

announcement, certified teachers at early childhood education programs will receive a substantial salary increase. A teacher with a master's degree earning a starting salary of \$53,580 this year will make \$62,295 by Oct. 1, 2020, and \$68,652 by Oct. 1, 2021. A starting salary for teachers with a bachelor's degree this year is \$48,372; it will rise to \$55,651 next year and \$61,070 in 2021.

City Councilmember Justin Brannan called it a huge day for community based early childhood educators.

"From day one, the tremendous success of the Mayor's UPK program has been dependent on local, non-profit CBO early childhood

educators and their staff," he said. "For far too long, these dedicated educators working at community based organizations have not received equal pay for equal work."

Brannan continued, "Today, thanks to this historic agreement, that will change, and our city and our children stand to benefit greatly. This is about achieving real pay parity for those who have made UPK the national model that it has become."

Mulligan, a longtime, vocal advocate of pay parity for all, worked closely with Treyger, an early supporter of the CBOs' call for equity, and Assemblymember Nicole Malliotakis, who hosted a rally alongside Mulligan

to make a public plea for equal and adequate funding.

Treyger was encouraged by the announcement. "The success of our 3K and UPK programs is dependent on early childhood educators and staff.

"In June, the Council promised we would not pass a budget without an agreement to achieve pay parity for our early childhood educators. We are now one step closer to achieving pay parity for non-DOE staff, who guide and teach our youngest learners every day."

Malliotakis was equally pleased to hear the news. "I thank the city for listening to our pleas and working to rectify this disparity that was leaving community based preschools in distress with the very real possibility of closure," Malliotakis told this paper.

"These pre-K programs have been in our community for years, long before Universal Pre-K," Malliotakis went on. "They have helped mold our children into the people they are today and are a part of the fabric of our neighborhoods. The city's policies were driving them out of business and this is a significant step in the right direction to preserve them for future generations of children."

## 'We were blindsided,' St. Anselm parent says of school merger

BY PAULA KATINAS

The merger of two Catholic schools has generated a great deal of excitement in Bay Ridge's religious education community, but a parent whose daughter attends one of the schools charged that news of the partnership has angered parents because it was negotiated in secret behind their backs.

"We were blindsided," Carlo Scissura told the *Home Reporter*.

Scissura spoke out after the recent blockbuster announcement that Saint Anselm Catholic Academy and Holy Angels Catholic Academy are merging to form a new school, Bay Ridge Catholic Academy.

Bay Ridge Catholic Academy, set to open in September, 2020, will be housed in St. Anselm's current building at 365 83rd St.

Scissura, president and CEO of the New York Building Congress, said his young daughter, who attends pre-kindergarten classes at St. Anselm, will not be going to kindergarten at the new school. "They are a private school and they have the right to do what they want. But as parents, we have the right to decide not to enroll our children there," he said.

"I object to the disturbing lack of process and inclusion that took place with this merger. There was no input from the parents or from the parish community. Zero input," Scissura said.

Scissura charged that parents had no idea the board of directors of St. Anselm Catholic Academy was even thinking of merging with another school and that the merger was presented to parents only after the decision had

already been made.

"It was basically a done deal. We were told the merger is taking place and if you want to learn more about it, come to a meeting. A lot of parents are angry," he said.

John Quaglione, chairperson of the Board of Directors at St. Anselm Catholic Academy, hosted an information night for parents on Nov. 5 to answer questions and discuss plans for Bay Ridge Catholic Academy.

Scissura was a member of Community School Board 20 several years ago and later served on the Community Education Council of School District 20. "I have run things. I know that process is critical," he said.

Quaglione declined to respond to Scissura's criticisms but referred a reporter to the office of the Diocese of Brooklyn.



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**The merger of St. Anselm Catholic Academy (pictured here) with Holy Angels Catholic Academy has angered parents, according to one man whose daughter attends classes at St. Anselm.**

Quaglione is the deputy press secretary for DeSales Media Group, the public relations component of the diocese.

The diocese issued a statement to the *Home Reporter*.

"In recent years, St.

Anselm Catholic Academy has seen an increase in enrollment and the stabilization of their financial situation due to the leadership of their board of directors. However, Catholic schools around the country have been facing declining

enrollment, and difficult financial situations, and the Catholic academies and parish schools within the Diocese of Brooklyn are no exception. St. Anselm's has had an overall decrease in enrollment over the past decade and a financial deficit in two of the past three years that they have been able to overcome due to a healthy reserve fund," the statement read.

"Rather than wait for a crisis and simply closing more Catholic schools, the Office of the Superintendent, Catholic School Support Services, with the support of the Board of Members and the Academy chairpersons, have decided to embark on a new model of creating a modern school environment to serve the Bay Ridge community, Bay Ridge Catholic," the statement concluded.

# Low voter turnout hurts Brooklyn neighborhoods, Abbate says

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Assembly member Peter Abbate had a blunt warning for residents who attended the Dyker Heights Civic Association meeting on Nov. 12.

If they want the government to listen to them and address their concerns, they had better vote, he said.

Abbate, a Democrat representing the 49th Assembly District, a district that takes in parts of Bensonhurst, Dyker Heights and Sunset Park, said the Nov. 5 election showed a shockingly low voter turnout in parts of Southwest Brooklyn.

The city as a whole had a 15 percent voter turnout on Election Day 2019, according to City Limits, citing figures from the New York City Board of Elections. Approximately 720,000 of

New York City's 4.7 million eligible voters went to the polls. City Limits reported.

The numbers were lower in many parts of Southwest Brooklyn, Abbate said.

"We have some of the lowest voting districts in the city. We come to meetings like this and complain, but we don't get out and vote," Abbate told residents at the civic association's Nov. 12 meeting.

Abbate, who first won his Assembly seat in 1986, said he has noticed a voter decrease in parts of southwest Brooklyn over the past decade. "Our numbers are very low compared to the rest of Brooklyn," he told the *Home Reporter* a few days after the civic association meeting.

In addition to the 49th A.D., Abbate said the 46th A.D. (Bay Ridge-Dyker

Heights-Coney Island) and 47th A.D. (Gravesend-parts of Bensonhurst) also have had trouble getting voters to the polls in recent years.

"You compare that to places like Park Slope, Williamsburg and Brooklyn Heights, where they have a big turnout," he said.

The early voting numbers were low too, Abbate said.

"I heard that early voting at New Utrecht High School had about 100 people a day. That's about 900 people. It is hard to judge because this was the first time around with early voting. But we need more people to come out," he said.

The 2019 general election marked the first test for New York State's new early voting system, which was approved by the state legislature earlier this year. Specially designated polling

sites, like New Utrecht High School in Bensonhurst, were open from Oct. 26 until Nov. 3.

Only 1.14 percent of registered voters in New York City participated in early voting, *amNew York* reported.

Dyker Heights Civic Association President Fran Vella-Marrone agreed that the local numbers are low. "But I don't think it's just our area. I think it's citywide," she told the *Home Reporter*.

When asked why he thought voters aren't exercising their right to vote, Abbate said one factor is apathy. "People are turned off to politics and government in general," he said.

He hopes that sentiment changes.

"People need to know the role that government plays in their lives. Government

has a say in everything a person does in his or her lifetime, from regulating the hospital they're born in, to the schools they go to, to the cemetery where they're buried when they die. We have to make sure people know why government is important and that if you don't like what the government is doing, then vote people out of office," Abbate said.

Abbate recalled that he learned at an early age about the importance of voting. "When I was a kid, my parents always took me with them when they went to vote," he said.

Vella-Marrone, who is chairperson of the Kings County Conservative Party, agreed that voter apathy is a troubling factor. But she also said she could understand. "People are just fed



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**Assembly member Peter Abbate said he is concerned about low voter turnout.**

up. They feel that no matter what they do, nothing changes," she said.

Education, or the lack of it, is also a problem, according to Vella-Marrone.

"We don't teach civics anymore in school," she said.



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**The Moda Operandi space in Industry City.**

## New creative studio for fashion at Industry City

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Fashion discovery platform Moda Operandi is expanding at Industry City with a new creative studio.

The studio at Industry City will be merging with the company's other two creative studios, for a total of 30,000 square feet of space and includes teams across the fields of photography, styling, studio operations and production.

"Fashion brands, ecommerce, traditional media companies and everyone in between are choosing Industry City as a home for content creation," said Director of Leasing at Industry City Kathe Chase. "Because of our scale, the incredible 24/7 environment and the unparalleled fiber connectivity, we can provide both the physical space and the creative backdrop

these companies need to thrive."

The lease was signed in November 2018, with Moda Operandi employees beginning work in the space in August. Owen Hane, Frank Coco and Kevin Duffy of JLL represented Moda Operandi in the deal. Jeff Fein of Industry City's internal leasing team represented Industry City. Rents at Industry City range from \$15 to \$40 per square foot.

"At Industry City, Moda Operandi is surrounded by a vibrant ecosystem of fashion companies and photo studios," reps from Industry City wrote in a statement. Among the other fashion and apparel companies based at Industry City, they said, are swimwear company Malia Mills, Gap Inc., jewelry company Alexis Bittar, fashion label Rag & Bone, jewelry designer Freida Rothman, bridal boutique the One and fashion accessories maker By Boe.

## Gravesend teachers win funding from Sonic Drive-In's donation project

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Sonic Drive-In's Limeades for Learning program awarded three teachers at P.S. 212 Lady Deborah Moody school in District 21 with funding to purchase teaching tools last month.

The program, conducted in partnership with nonprofit donorschoose.org, donated \$1 million to teachers across the country during the month of October. Schools in New York City received \$15,029 in total for winning projects, distributed among 13 educators at seven schools.

Teachers posted proposals on donorschoose.org, explaining how their requested tools would improve students' learning experiences and detailing the items' costs.

Throughout October, Sonic fans visited limeadesforlearning.com to read the proposals and to cast votes for their favorites.

Winners included P.S. 212 kindergarten teacher Amy Rodriguez, who was awarded funding for four projects. One of

her proposals, "Ear-Resistible Learning With Headphones," asked for replacements for classroom headphones that were beginning to show heavy wear and tear and that had started to have volume problems.

On Nov. 1, Rodriguez posted an update on the DonorsChoose website, thanking voters for their help. "In the last two days I was able to teach my small group with zero interruptions as the volume was no longer an issue," she wrote.

"For nearly all of Sonic's 67 year history, franchisees and operators have supported local community efforts, often their local public schools," Christi Woodworth, vice president of public relations for Sonic, told this paper. "We believe that teachers are entrepreneurs, great problem solvers and know what their students need to succeed."

P.S. 212 fourth grade teacher Toni Ann Piscopo also received funding for four projects, to purchase iPads, cases and charging equipment to aid her students' STEM learning.

"My ELL students can

use Google Translate to help translate math into their native language so they can keep up with the lessons and not feel lost and confused," Piscopo explained in her proposal.

After receiving the iPads, she wrote, "The glow on [my students'] faces and the sparkle in their eyes was amazing."

Fellow teacher Toni Ann Murray's winning project, "Cozy Independent Reading Nook," asked for chairs, pillows and a bean bag chair in order to create a comfortable classroom space for reading.

"Thank you for helping my students build their reading stamina in a fun and relaxing way," wrote Murray.

When asked about Sonic's use of public online voting to select winners, Woodworth explained, "Sonic puts its \$1 million donation into the hands of guests and fans by asking them to vote for the teachers' projects they want Sonic to support. We love giving our guests and fans a voice in giving back."

To learn more about the program, visit limeadesforlearning.com.



# News From Your Neighborhood

## DOZENS OF CARS VANDALIZED IN BAY RIDGE

BAY RIDGE — Dozens of Bay Ridge motorists on Sunday morning woke up to find that their tires had been slashed or that their cars had been “keyed” and scratched, according to the *Brooklyn Reporter*. The incidents took place on Shore Road between 72<sup>nd</sup> Street and Bay Ridge Parkway. Police said that at least 32 cars were vandalized. In an earlier incident on the weekend of Oct. 26, about 35 cars were likewise vandalized. Councilmember Justin Brannan told constituents he was seeking videos of the area. Noting that some shop windows along Third Avenue had also been vandalized, Brannan and State Sen. Andrew Gounardes said, “We cannot and will not allow vandals to continue to damage our neighborhood with impunity.”

## ★★★ LAURIE CUMBO, PARTNER WIN DANCE CONTEST

BOROUGHWIDE — City Councilmember Laurie Cumbo and Jamel Gaines of the Creative Outlet Dance Theatre of Brooklyn have won the Dancers of the Decade award from the Stars of New York Dance. Their performance, which received a perfect score of 10 from each judge, was set to Nina Simone’s rendition of “Strange Fruit,” a Billie Holiday song protesting lynching in the Deep South in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century. They said their dance was a response to the recent display of Halloween decorations in a house window near a Brooklyn elementary school that resembled black children being lynched. Creative Outlet Dance Theatre of Brooklyn will use the prize money to provide 10 or more children with a year of free dance education.

## ★★★ RED HOOK TAVERN MAKES *ESQUIRE* LIST

RED HOOK — Billy Durney’s Red Hook Tavern was the only Brooklyn restaurant to make it into *Esquire* magazine’s ranking of the best new eateries in America, according to Patch. *Esquire*’s food and drinks editor, Jeff Gordiner, put the list together by searching the country for an entire year for the best food and drinks. Red Hook Tavern, which opened in July, landed at number 19 on the list, Patch said. “Allison Plumer [the chef] is cooking what you want to eat when it’s Friday night and you’d prefer not to ruin your appetite with overthinking,” Gordiner wrote about the Van Brunt Street tavern.

## ★★★ LENTOL INTRODUCES BILL ON MENTAL HEALTH CLINICS

GREENPOINT-WILLIAMSBURG — Assemblymember Joseph Lentol (D-Greenpoint-Williamsburg) introduced a bill on Friday that would establish mental health community clinics across New York State. These clinics would focus on issues such as eating disorders, substance abuse, suicide prevention, anger management and depression. “While preventative and proactive care of physical health is important, the same must be said for mental health,” said Lentol. “New York State continues to fail individuals and families who suffer from brain disease that manifests as symptoms of mental illness. No matter the health care discussion, mental health always gets left behind.”

## ★★★ MAN LIES DOWN IN STREET, GETS RUN OVER

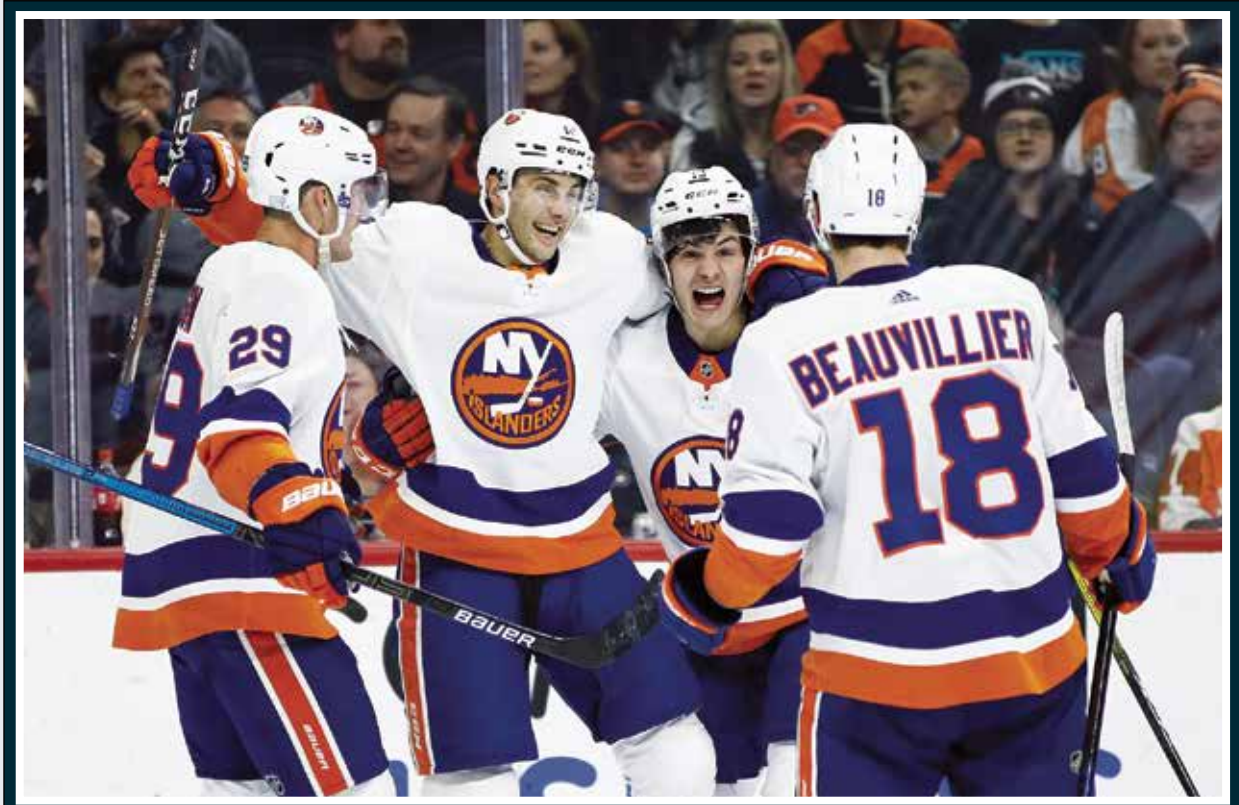
A 61-year-old man laid down in the middle of the street on Broadway between Putnam Avenue and Cornelia Street in Brooklyn early Monday morning and was run over by a late-model Jeep, according to the *New York Post*. The man was taken to Woodhull Hospital, where he was listed in serious condition, police said. It wasn’t clear why the man was lying in the street or whether the driver, who left the scene, knew he or she had hit someone.

## ★★★ SEVEN-STORY BUILDING PLANNED FOR COLUMBIA ST. DISTRICT

CARROLL GARDENS — Permits have been filed for a seven-story mixed-use building at 58 Union St. in the Columbia Street Waterfront District, according to New York YIMBY. The site, between Van Brunt and Columbia streets, is near the F and G trains’ Carroll Street subway station. The building would have 65 residential units, commercial space and community-facility space, New York YIMBY reported. Simon Dushinsky of the Rabsky Group is listed as the owner, and Fariba Makooi of Fisher & Makooi Architects is listed as the architect of record. The site is currently occupied by a parking garage.

## ★★★ FREE COMEDY SHOW BENEFITS MAKE THE ROAD

BUSHWICK — Every Friday night, GG’s Social Trade and Pleasure Club at 1139 DeKalb Ave. in Bushwick hosts Wet Cash, a free standup comedy show that has attracted comedians who have been on “Jimmy Kimmel Live,” “The Late Show with Stephen Colbert,” Netflix, the Comedy Channel and other high-profile venues. At each show, the emcee gives away money that’s put into a fishbowl to one audience member. All pro-



The Islanders have been celebrating at the expense of their opponents for the past five weeks, going 14-0-1 on a franchise record-tying 15-game points streak since an Oct. 11 loss in Carolina. AP Photo by Matt Slocum

ceeds from the show go to Make the Road, a nonprofit organization that helps working-class and immigrant communities. Rachel McCarney, who has appeared on PBS, serves as host.

## ★★★ TRANSIT MUSEUM’S NEW EXHIBIT HONORS HISTORIC SUBWAY CAR

BOERUM HILL — The New York City Transit Museum is honoring the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the debut of the historic Redbird subway cars with a new exhibit, “Reign of the Redbirds,” the *Brooklyn Paper* reports. The boxy red cars were a model of subway car that was introduced in 1959 and that was retired in 2003. “People have a very strong affection for the Redbirds,” said Associate Curator Jodi Shapiro. “To have something like this in your life for 40 or so years, they are sort of like an old friend.” The exhibit includes a number of refurbished Redbirds that visitors can step aboard as well as photos of the cars throughout the decades. It will remain open until Sept. 13, 2020.

## ★★★ NETS’ KURUCS APPEARS BEFORE JUDGE

DOWNTOWN BROOKLYN — Brooklyn Nets player Rodions Kurucs attended his third hearing at Brooklyn Criminal Court on Tuesday regarding his domestic violence case, according to the *New York Post*. The forward allegedly choked his girlfriend during an argument this summer. Kurucs appeared before Judge Kerry Ward and will make another visit to court on Jan. 8. He and his lawyer declined to comment, the *Post* said. Meanwhile, Kurucs continues to play for the Nets.

## ★★★ STRAY BULLETS HIT BUSES IN EAST NY SHOOTING

EAST NEW YORK — A 32-year-old man was shot four times in the abdomen on Tuesday morning in East New York, according to the *New York Post*. Meanwhile, a stray bullet from the shooting struck a nearby school bus in which a 4-year-old boy was riding. He and the other people on board the bus were uninjured. The incident, which occurred near Pennsylvania and Dumont avenues just before 9 a.m., was sparked by a verbal argument between a group of men. The man was pronounced dead after being taken to Brookdale University Medical Center. Another stray bullet from the incident hit an MTA bus, but no one was injured.

## ★★★ COUNCIL CANDIDATE PLANS CONEY ISLAND CREEK DIVE

CONEY ISLAND — City Council candidate Steven Patzer has announced plans to enter Coney Island Creek in order to remove litter. Patzer says he will don Scuba gear and, along with a dive team, will collect items like fishing nets and plastics from the notoriously filthy waterway. The 47th District candidate has a history of participating in local cleanups, including a Rockaway Beach dive. In order to receive permits for his latest event, Patzer will need to complete waivers, certifications and obtain at least \$1 million worth of insurance, according to the *Brooklyn Paper*. “There are a lot of rumors that the creek is very dirty, and I believe them,” said Patzer.

## ★★★ NEW COMMUNITY GARDEN PLANNED FOR BUSHWICK

BUSHWICK — Green space advocates have announced plans to use state revitalization funds to build a new community garden in Bushwick, the *Brooklyn Paper* reports. The \$720,000 funding required for the project will come from Gov. Cuomo’s “Vital Brooklyn” initiative, which is providing \$1.4 billion for the revitalization of Brooklyn community gardens. Construction on the space, which currently stores trucks and gardening equipment, will begin in fall 2020 and will be finished by the end of the year. The new garden will be located on Aberdeen Street between Bushwick Avenue and Evergreens Cemetery, and will include garden plots, a plaza area, storage space and parking.

## ★★★ TRANSIT UNION DEMANDS MORE POLICE IN SUBWAY

CITYWIDE — In reaction to the release of data by the *New York Post* that shows a dramatic rise in subway assaults, Transport Workers Union Local 100 demanded Monday that the NYPD station more cops in subways. Tony Utano, the union’s president, said that MTA employees face “assaults, threats and other forms of disgusting abuse all the time,” and that “The MTA and the city so far have utterly failed to adequately protect transit workers.” The union has demanded that officers be deployed not only near turnstiles, but on trains, platforms and buses.

## ★★★ AUDIT ON SUBWAY CEILING COLLAPSE ISSUED

DOWNTOWN BROOKLYN — The MTA’s inspector general has issued an audit on the June 2018 incident in which a large part of ceiling above a platform in the Brooklyn Borough Hall subway station collapsed, giving a woman a concussion. The agency had been monitoring the ceiling prior to the accident, and the new statement from the inspector general’s office blames “ineffective inspection measures” for the incident, saying, “Engineers with the proper expertise could have prevented the \$8.3 million emergency repair.” The report also said that inspectors failed to identify dangerous structural problems elsewhere, according to Gothamist.

## ★★★ KAWS BUYS BUILDING FOR STUDIO EXPANSION

WILLIAMSBURG — Williamsburg-based artist KAWS has purchased a 10,000-square-foot building adjacent to his North Ninth Street studio, the *Real Deal* reports. KAWS paid \$17 million to Thor Equities for the building. According to Christie’s auction company, KAWS, who has been compared to Keith Haring and Jean-Michel Basquiat, earned nearly \$34 million at auction last year.

## ★★★ BODEGA CLERK SUBDUED BY VAPE THIEVES

SHEEPSHEAD BAY — A Sheepshead Bay bodega clerk attempted to fight off a group of thieves on Nov. 12, according to the *New York Post*. Surveillance footage released by the NYPD shows a group of women subduing the 51-year-old employee while stealing vape mini-packs from behind the counter. The incident occurred at 8:30 a.m. at Seven Day Convenience Store. The thieves fled on foot.



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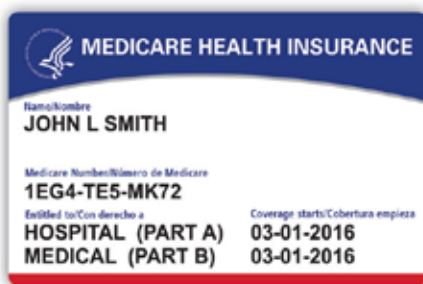
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Now that Thanksgiving is here, Three Guys has some incredible recipes that would make your holiday dinner a memorable feast for family and friends. For example, Three Guys' recipe for Pumpkin Bread is the perfect complement for any meal. All you need is 1 cup all-purpose flour, 1 cup whole wheat flour, 1 tsp. baking powder, 1 tsp. baking soda, 1 tsp. pumpkin pie spice, 1 pinch of salt, 1 15 oz. can pumpkin puree, sugar, honey, fat-free plain Greek yogurt, 2 eggs and 6 tsp. coconut oil for a pumpkin loaf that everyone will be talking about. And it can be served for breakfast, lunch or dinner. It's a holiday dish family and friends will thank you for. For the complete recipe visit the website: [www.3guysfrombrooklyn.com](http://www.3guysfrombrooklyn.com)

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# How to host a Friendsgiving feast

As one of the most popular holiday traditions in the United States, families have celebrated Thanksgiving for decades. However, as more and more hosts look to put a new spin on the festivities, Friendsgiving continues to grow in popularity.

While the two “holidays” generally involve the same ideals — showing appreciation for loved ones, whether family or friends — cooking for both can be a challenge during this busy season. Consider these quick and easy ideas from the

Friendsgiving experts at Sabra to celebrate this vibrant event with your closest friends.

Plenty of planning and preparation goes into Thanksgiving festivities, which makes Friendsgiving an opportunity to take a step back and focus on simplicity. Keep your table decor clean and modern, like an understated black-and-white design, where food and fun can take center stage.

Friendsgiving strikes a delicate balance between a reunion of companions and just an excuse to spend time with



## HUMMUS MASHED POTATOES

5 cups yellow potatoes (about 6 potatoes), peeled and cut into 1½-inch cubes  
¼ teaspoon salt, plus additional, to taste, divided  
1½ cups Sabra Classic Hummus  
2 tablespoons olive oil or

coconut oil  
Fresh pepper, to taste  
2 tablespoons finely chopped fresh parsley  
Place potato cubes and ¼ teaspoon salt in medium-sized pot with enough water to cover. Bring to boil and simmer over medium heat about 30 minutes, or until fork tender.  
Drain potatoes and place

back into pot over medium heat until moisture comes out and potatoes appear dry, about three minutes. Remove from heat.

In same pot, using potato masher, mash potatoes. Mash in hummus and oil, followed by salt and pepper, to taste.

Serve topped with fresh parsley.

your closest cohorts, which can make a normally tricky decision even more difficult: what to wear. Try aiming for the more casual look, or try something low-key and fun like a pajama party.

Because Friendsgiving is usually celebrated within a

week or so of Thanksgiving, whether it's before or after, most guests will be tired of turkey and stuffing — meaning it's time to think outside the box. For just enough of a twist on traditional seasonal taste, try making plant-based versions of your childhood favorites.

This Hummus Mashed Potatoes recipe is a perfect example — creating a dairy-free and gluten-free version of the classic dish that's bursting with unexpected flavors. Alternatively, if you're hosting this year, Sweet and Savory Cranberry Hummus Bites can hold over

a hungry crowd. For another simple snacking solution, pairing a dip like Sabra Hummus, available in more than a dozen flavors, with pita chips or baby carrots may be your party-perfect appetizer.

Find more Friendsgiving inspiration at Sabra.com.

## RUGELACH

Prep time: 50 minutes  
Cook time: 20 minutes  
Servings: 32



### Dough

½ cup (1 stick) unsalted butter, softened  
4 ounces cream cheese, softened  
1 tablespoon granulated sugar  
1 teaspoon vanilla extract  
½ teaspoon salt  
1 cup flour

### Filling

½ cup granulated sugar  
1 tablespoon ground cinnamon  
½ cup apricot jam  
1 cup finely chopped California walnuts  
½ cup raisins, chopped  
2 tablespoons unsalted butter melted

To make dough: In large bowl, using electric mixer on medium speed, beat butter, cream cheese, sugar, vanilla

and salt until light and fluffy, about five minutes.

Scrape sides of bowl and beaters as necessary. Reduce speed and slowly mix in flour, about 30 seconds.

On floured work surface, form dough into ball. Divide into two equal pieces.

Wrap tightly in plastic wrap and press into two disks. Refrigerate 30 minutes, or until firm.

To make filling: Heat oven to 375° F and place racks at upper-middle and lower-middle positions.

Line two baking sheets with parchment paper.

In small bowl, combine

sugar and cinnamon; mix well and set aside.

On lightly floured surface, roll out each piece of dough into 11-inch circles, about ¼-inch thick. On each round, spread ¼ cup jam and sprinkle ½ cup walnuts and ¼ cup raisins. Evenly sprinkle 1 tablespoon cinnamon-sugar mixture on each disk.

Using knife, cut each round into 16 even wedges. Beginning at wide ends, roll each wedge up into cookie.

Place cookies on prepared baking sheet with pointed end underneath cookie. Space cookies about 2 inches apart.

Using pastry brush, brush melted butter over cookies; sprinkle remaining cinnamon-sugar over top.

Bake cookies about 20 minutes until slightly puffed and pale gold, rotating baking sheets halfway through.

Transfer hot cookies to wire rack and allow to cool completely before serving.

## MEXICAN WEDDING COOKIES

Prep time: 20 minutes  
Cook time: 38 minutes  
Servings: 36  
2 cups California walnuts, toasted, divided  
2 cups all-purpose flour  
¾ teaspoon salt  
1 cup (2 sticks) unsalted butter, softened  
½ cup granulated sugar  
1 ½ teaspoons vanilla extract  
1 ½ cups powdered sugar, plus additional (optional)

Heat oven to 325° F. Adjust oven racks to upper-middle and lower-middle positions. Line two baking sheets with parchment paper or silicone mats.

In food processor, finely grind one cup walnuts, about 10-15 seconds. Transfer to medium bowl.

In food processor, pulse remaining walnuts about five seconds. Add to medium bowl with

finely ground walnuts. Stir in flour and salt; set aside.

In electric mixer bowl, combine butter and granulated sugar. Beat two minutes, or until fluffy. Scrape sides of bowl. Add vanilla; beat one minute. Add flour and walnut mixture; beat 30 seconds, or until combined. Scrape down sides of bowl and beaters; continue hand-mixing dough until well combined.

Working with one tablespoon dough at a time, roll into 1¼-inch balls and arrange one inch apart on prepared baking sheets. Bake until cookies are lightly golden brown, about 18 minutes, rotating baking sheets halfway through.

Remove cookies from oven and cool on baking sheets 10 minutes. Transfer to wire rack; cool completely. Roll cookies in powdered sugar.

Before serving, re-roll cookies in powdered sugar, if desired. Gently shake to remove excess.

# Holiday desserts from around the globe

Over time, many families tend to return to the same holiday favorites, from ham and mashed potatoes to pies and cookie classics. This season, you can add a twist to tradition with these globally inspired desserts.

Rugelach, for instance, is like a cross between a croissant and

a cookie featuring walnuts for a nutty flavor and crunch with ties to Greece, Turkey and the Middle East. If you're looking to steal the show at cookie exchanges, Mexican Wedding Cookies provide a crumbly, melt-in-your-mouth texture perfect for dipping in hot chocolate.

Both treats include California

walnuts, which have an agricultural history deeply rooted in tradition and can stand alone as a tasty snack or offer an opportunity to level up dishes from appetizers to desserts. Find more holiday dessert ideas at walnuts.org/holiday.

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Scenes from Maimonides' Pink Runway event benefiting the hospital's Breast Imaging Center of Excellence.  
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# Maimonides hosts annual Pink Runway fashion show for breast cancer awareness

By John Alexander  
INBrooklyn

Maimonides Medical Center held its sixth annual Pink Runway fashion show on Wednesday, Nov. 13, at the iconic New York dance club, Marquee. All proceeds from the event will benefit breast cancer awareness, treatment and research at the hospital's Breast Imaging Center of Excellence — Brooklyn's first free-standing, full-service, nationally-recognized breast care facility.

All the models who participated in the Pink Runway fashion show are breast cancer survivors. Sixteen women of all ages, sizes and ethnicities walked the runway in designer evening wear to benefit breast cancer awareness and celebrate life.

The evening paid tribute to a distinguished slate of honorees. Guests of honor Anne Eisenhower and Adriana Echavarria-Eisenhower were presented with the Pink Hope Award; Dr. Lloyd Gayle, chief of plastic surgery at Maimonides, received the Pink Hero Award; Brooklyn entrepreneur Anthony Pennachio was given the Pink Warrior Award; and Ines Rosales of Fox5 Good Day New York received the Pink Partner Award.

This year, Pink Runway teamed up with the fashion innovators and curators at RenttheRun-

way.com, who provided a handpicked selection of 20 beautiful dresses from the world's leading high-end designers.

Maimonides patients and survivors proudly showed off the designer threads in an effort to prove that cancer cannot and will not defeat their fighting spirit during one of the most difficult battles a person can wage. The overall message was that cancer can be fought and beaten and these heroic individuals with their upbeat attitudes are the living proof.

"Breast cancer isn't for sissies. Every single woman who walks the Pink Runway is an inspirational warrior and role model," said Dr. Patrick Borgen, chair of surgery at Maimonides and director of the Breast Center. "We are excited and proud to host this special evening in their honor and show the world what true beauty and endurance look like."

Heshy Augenbaum, vice president and chief development officer, echoed Borgen's sentiments. "There is only one Pink Runway, and only one Maimonides, and they are both about saving and celebrating life," said Augenbaum. "There is no better time and no better place to support the fight against breast cancer for women in Brooklyn and beyond."



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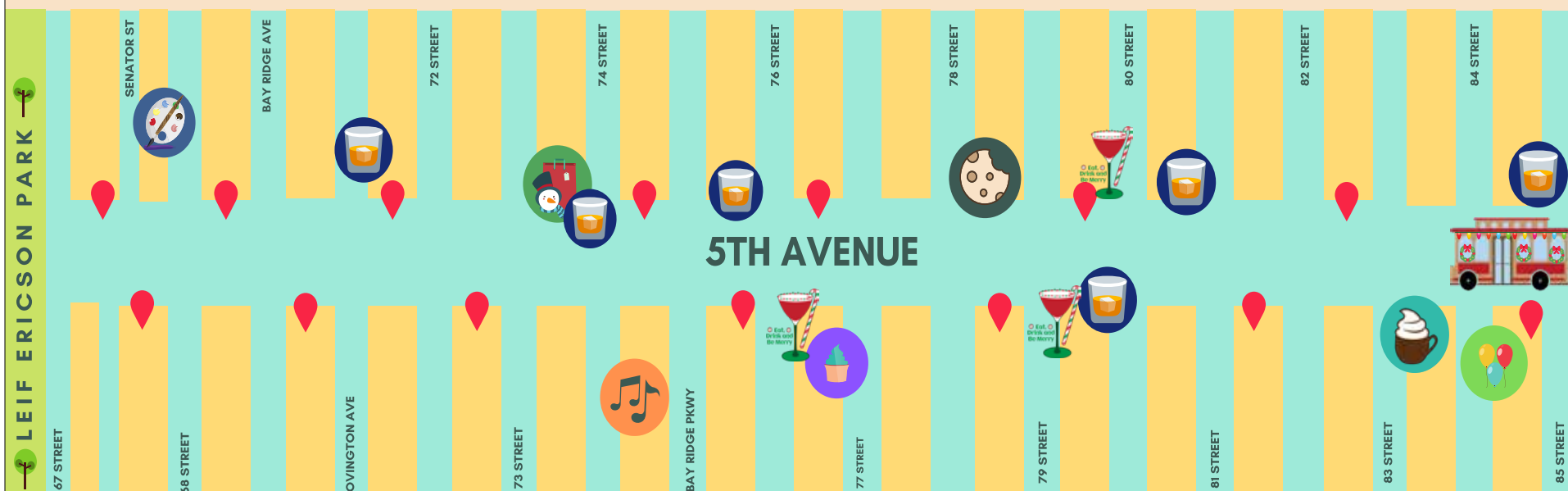
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# Pet Adoption Corner

Sean Casey Animal Rescue has shared these photos of pets up for adoption with us.

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## My Natural Pet is the cat's meow!

By John Alexander  
INBrooklyn

Someone's been barking up the right tree! There is a new pet shop in Bay Ridge and the owners are eager for neighbors to visit.

In fact, you will receive a warm welcome when you stop by My Natural Pet, located at 8318 Fifth Ave. "We believe our new shop is the premier wellness market for pets of all kinds including dogs, cats, fish, birds and other small animals," said founder and owner Margo Tortorelis.

"We're an establishment that prides itself on offering human-grade, species appropriate, raw, natural, organic and humane certified foods as well as CBD, vitamins, supplements, nutritional counseling and special pet-related events," Tortorelis added. Additionally, My Natural Pet offers professional grooming services for dogs and cats with organic products if desired.

Tortorelis grew up in Bay Ridge and has more than 25 years of experience in the pet industry with a demonstrated commitment to various types of pets.

Choosing both healthy pet products and trustworthy brands can be challenging. "We take the guesswork out of the equation, and every product is carefully chosen and researched, making only the best options available at a fair price," said Tortorelis. "We also offer free local delivery service," she added.

Another unique aspect of My Natural Pet is the beautiful assortment of greeting cards, pet mugs, magnets and housewares for gift-giving and personal needs.

My Natural Pet will also spon-

sor several adoption dates, educational workshops for pet owners and fundraising events — all to help the broader community and animal welfare advocates with needed tools and resources.

The store recently held its grand opening ribbon-cutting ceremony with a number of notable guests including elected officials and community leaders who stopped by to wish Tortorelis well.

State Sen. Andrew Gounardes was delighted to be at the ceremony. "It's always purr-fectly delightful to welcome new businesses to our vibrant community. Congratulations to My Natural Pet on their grand opening, and here's wishing them lots of success in this new location," he told this paper.

Through her years working with independent and locally owned pet supply stores, Tortorelis has developed a remarkable level of expertise needed to assist pet parents, specifically in the fields of pet care, wellness and dietary advice for companion animals. She said that she is looking to establish My Natural Pet as the trusted leader of pet wellness in Bay Ridge, and surrounding neighborhoods.

New pet owner City Councilmember Justin Brannan was pleased to be at the grand opening for a number of reasons. "It is always a good day when another small business opens up in our community," he told this paper.

"But I am especially happy to see Margo's vision come to life. Local businesses like this are truly the backbone of our city. It is so important that we support them. I just adopted two dogs so I know I will be shopping here frequently," he added.



State Sen. Andrew Gounardes, City Councilmember Justin Brannan, Margo and George Tortorelis, Lizzie Marks, Patrick El Hayouk and Elizabeth Lovejoy. brooklyn media/Photos by Arlene Camera



Assortment of goodies available at My Natural Pet. Photo by Margo Tortorelis



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**SULFARO, John F.** — On Nov. 14. Beloved husband of Margaret (nee Oliveira). Devoted father of David, Doreen (Rob) and John (Gina). Cherished grandfather of 10 and great grandfather of two. John played for the N.Y. Giants from 1950-1952. He served in the Marine Corps. A Brooklyn boy to the end., he was an avid dancer, golfer and biker. All arrangements handled by A. Guarino Funeral Home Inc. Mass of Christian Burial Our Lady of Grace Roman Catholic Church. Interment Greenwood Cemetery. In Lieu of flowers donations can be made to the American Heart Association, 1-800-242-8721.



**FLANDERS, Patricia Ann** — Age 76, passed away Sunday, Nov. 17. Patricia Ann Flanders was born April 3, 1943 in Brooklyn. She is the daughter of the late George and the late Elsie (King) Cook. Beloved wife to the late Frank Flanders. Cherished mother to Patricia Lagarenne (Glenn), Frank Flanders, Kathleen Cruz (Jesus), Kelli Roca (Javier) and Christine Deokinandan (Michael). Adored grandmother to Matthew, Kevin, Janine, Thomas, Emma and Francis. Dear sister to Linda Rodaligo and George Cook. All arrangements handled by Marine Park Funeral Home. Mass of Christian Burial Mary Queen of Heaven Roman Catholic

Church. Committal St. Charles Cemetery, Farmingdale.



**RUGGIANO, Gloria A.** — Age 81, of Brooklyn, passed away Friday, Nov. 15. Gloria A. Ruggiano was born April 2, 1938 in Brooklyn. She is the daughter of the late Alfred Monaco and the late Angelina (DeVita). Beloved wife to the late Joseph Ruggiano. Cherished mother to Julianne Calisto and Donna Colella. Dear sister to Jean Lisi and the late Alfred Monaco. Adored grandmother to Alexa, Arianna, Johnny, Briana and Christina. All arrangements handled by Marine Park Funeral Home. Mass of Christian Burial Good Shepherd Roman Catholic Church. Committal service St. Charles Cemetery, Farmingdale.



**GALLO, Ann** — Age 94, passed away Friday, Nov. 15. Ann Gallo was born Nov. 30, 1924 in Brooklyn. She is the daughter of the late Salvatore

and the late Angela (Nardo) Tornetto. Beloved wife to the late Frank Gallo. Cherished mother to John Gallo (Eileen) and Maryann Ingenito (Robert). Adored grandmother to Annemarie, Jeanne and Laura. Dear great grandmother to Nicholas, Caroline, Sophia, Emilia, Vincent, Molly and Katie. All arrangements handled by Marine Park Funeral Home. Mass of Christian Burial Good Shepherd Roman Catholic Church. Committal St. Charles Cemetery, Farmingdale. If you desire to donate please donate to St. Judes Childrens Hospital at <http://www.stjude.org> or to Boys Town at <http://www.boystown.org>.

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**RUSIN, Ruth A., "Nanny"** — Age 67, passed away Thursday, Nov. 14 at home in Brooklyn. Mrs. Rusin was born Feb. 13, 1952 in Brooklyn. She is the daughter of Anthony and Mary (Doerbecker) Frolio. Beloved wife of 31 years to the late Adam Rusin. Loving mother of



Nicole Rusin and Adam Rusin (Sandra). All arrangements handled by Marine Park Funeral Home. The funeral will be held on Saturday, November 16th, 2019. Committal Green-Wood Crematory Chapel.

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**VICARIO, Peter J.** — A lifelong resident of Brooklyn, passed away on Monday, Nov. 11 at Shore View Nursing Home of Brooklyn. Peter was 71 years old. Peter was born on Feb. 14, 1948 in the Bronx and is the son of late Dominick and Clara (DiLecce) Vicario. Peter married the love of his



life Susan Seligman. They have been married for 46 years. Peter was a Vietnam veteran in the Navy and also served in the Reserves. Peter was employed as a sanitation worker with the Department of Sanitation with the City of New York. Peter is survived by his loving wife Susan (Seligman) Vicario; his beloved sons, Peter and Paul Vicario and his two grandsons, Leo and Arthur. Peter had a love of collecting model trains and with his family went to many model train conventions and visited many live-steam engines up and down the east coast. He was also a lover of history, specifically of the Civil War. Peter

was always reading books and magazines about the Civil War and the family would go on trips to many of the battlefields. He liked watching sports, cheering for the Mets and Giants all of his life. All arrangements handled by Marine Park Funeral Home. Burial Rose Hill Memorial Park, Putnam Valley. Peter was a member of the Knights of Columbus, a fraternity centered around charity and faith. In lieu of flowers, his family would like people to consider a donation in memory of his life, to its Christian Refugee Relief Fund. <http://www.kofc.org/en/secure/charities/hope.html>.

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# Take an autumn stroll through Victorian Flatbush

ABOVE: Victorian Flatbush is a fine place for a stroll even on chilly, gray days.

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What's a walk that's worth taking when fall weather turns wintry? One that involves Flatbush's Victorian houses.

This is the neighborhood where you'll find America's largest concentration of freestanding Victorian homes. They have lawns and gardens and architectural flourishes such as turrets and porches. They are appealing eye candy even when it's 40-something degrees and the skies are the color of lead.

Victorian Flatbush is located south of Prospect Park between Coney Island Avenue and Flatbush Avenue. It consists of 11 micro-neighborhoods developed more than a century ago as suburban enclaves for commuters on the Brooklyn, Flatbush and Coney Island Railroad.

You can see representative snippets of most of the micro-neighborhoods by walking in a loop up Westminister Road from Avenue H to Caton Avenue and then down East 18th Street to Avenue H once again.

Some of the mini-nabes are historic districts, with no demolition or changes to house exteriors allowed without the city Landmarks Preservation Commission's permission. Some are not.

Local residents want the six micro-neighborhoods that are not historic districts to be granted that status. In 2012, Flatbush Development Corp. and civic groups got together and submitted a request for evaluation asking the LPC to turn these areas into a single historic district.

Last year, the Historic Districts Council sent the preservation agency a letter urging it to act on that request.



If you walk up Westminister Road (shown here) from Avenue H then loop around on East 18th Street, you'll see several Victorian Flatbush micro-neighborhoods.

On the first block of Westminister Road after the intersection of Avenue H, you'll hear wind chimes clanking on front porches whenever there's a breeze.

One of the prettiest spots on this part of the walk is the intersection of Westminister Road and Glenwood Road, where the corner houses are especially big and beautiful.

West Midwood ends at the intersection of Foster Avenue.

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### A SUBWAY STATION WITH ROCKING CHAIRS

If you don't live within walking distance of Victorian Flatbush, normally I'd suggest you get there by taking the Q train to the Avenue H subway station. This quirky landmarked building looks like a cottage in the Adirondacks. It has a porch that's held up by columns made of logs and furnished with rocking chairs.

But Q service to this part of Brooklyn is often suspended on the weekends for track maintenance, so you must check train schedules before you embark.

The stroll starts in nonlandmarked West Midwood. Germania Real Estate & Improvement Co., which developed this micro-neighborhood, advertised it and other parts of Victorian Flatbush as "country living in the city," the request for evaluation for landmarking says.

The houses on this stretch of Westminister Road were built around 1905. Many have porches on their first and second floors.

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## MARY PICKFORD'S HOUSE

When you cross Newkirk Avenue, you're in nonlandmarked Ditmas Park West.

Movie buffs will appreciate this: This micro-neighborhood has a house that Mary Pickford, the most famous actress of the silent-film era, was going to live in.

Vitagraph, a studio located nearby, built 1320 Ditmas Ave. for her in hopes of signing a contract with her in 1916. But she decided not to leave the studio she was working for, so she didn't move into the lovely modified neo-Tudor home.

Mary Pickford's house is just a couple blocks away from the intersection of Ditmas Avenue and Westminster Road.

There, you'll see eye-catching 1207 Ditmas Ave., which stands on a big lot.

When you get to the intersection of Cortelyou Road, you'll notice lots of places to get a bite to eat. Because daylight fades fast this time of year, I decided to keep walking and snack later.

## THANK YOU, DEAN ALVORD

When you cross Cortelyou Road, you're in nonlandmarked Beverley Square West. An architect named Thomas Benton Ackerson built it. The T.B. Ackerson Construction Co. was his development business.

One of my favorite spots in this part of the walk is the corner of Cortelyou Road, where the house at 358 Westminster Road has a twin house standing beside it at 354 Westminster Road. They have similar massing and similar first- and second-story front porches framed by similar two-story-high Corinthian columns.

And the next three houses on the block have terrific turrets with pointy roofs like witches' hats.

When you cross Beverley Road, you're in the Prospect Park South Historic District.

Dean Alvord, a developer who was born in Syracuse, started building Prospect Park South at the end of the 19th century.



The address of the house on this corner of Westminster Road is 1207 Ditmas Ave. in Ditmas Park West.

This neighborhood has a number of spectacular mansions. The houses on Westminster Road are lovely.

One of my favorite homes on this part of the walk is 115 Westminster Road on the corner of Albemarle Road.

The neo-Classical stucco house with a Spanish tile roof was built in 1918; Boris Dorfman designed it, the Landmarks Preservation Commission's designation report about the Prospect Park South Historic District says.

## A STREET NAMED TENNIS COURT

When you cross Church Avenue, you step into Caton Park. Westminster Road, which is mostly populated by apartment buildings, is outside the portion of this micro-neighborhood that's included in the proposed historic district.

When you turn onto Caton Avenue, you'll see the Prospect Park Parade Ground. Some of America's greatest baseball players, including Sandy Koufax, played there as youthful amateurs.

One reason I picked East 18th Street for the return loop of this stroll is that it takes you to Tennis Court. Isn't that a great name for a street? Serena Williams and Rafael Nadal should have apartments there.

On East 18th Street where Tennis Court deadends, you'll notice the entrance to the Knickerbocker Field Club, which was established in 1889. Though you can't see them from the sidewalk — an apartment complex blocks your view — there are five tennis courts.

The most eye-catching apartment on Tennis Court is Chateau Frontenac. As the name suggests, it looks like a castle. The stone front entrance is decorated with heraldic symbols including porcupines.

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When you can leave Tennis Court and head back down East 18th Street, you will walk past apartment buildings for a couple blocks. A judge ordered the landlord of one of these properties, 180 East 18th St., to repair the fire-damaged building or face civil penalties, my colleague Kelly Mena wrote recently.



This apartment building, Chateau Frontenac, is located on a street called Tennis Court.

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When you cross Beverley Road, you're in unlandmarked Beverley Square East. Thomas Benton Ackerson did the earliest construction in the neighborhood, between 1898 and 1901. Remember him from Beverley Square West?

Lewis Pounds also did a lot of Beverley Square East development with Delbert Decker as his partner, the request for evaluation for landmarking says. Pounds was the Brooklyn Borough President between 1913 and 1917.

The houses here are so beautiful. I especially love the circular porch at 315 East 18th St.

## A SPANISH HACIENDA

When you cross the intersection of Cortelyou Road, you're in landmarked Ditmas Park.

Pounds and Decker developed this micro-neighborhood, too.

As you stroll along, you'll see the work of architects such as Arlington Isham, who designed Colonial Revival-style 456 East 18th St., and Slee & Bryson, who designed Colonial Revival-style 460 East 18th St., the Landmarks Preservation Commission's designation report for the Ditmas Park Historic District says.

The houses on the corners of East 18th Street and Ditmas Avenue are especially picturesque.

The Ditmas Park Historic District ends at Newkirk Avenue. A house at that intersection, 575 East 18th St., is eye-catching because of its Spanish Colonial Revival design.

## TWO NEIGHBORHOODS, ONE HISTORIC DISTRICT

Keep walking — and in a New York minute, you'll cross Foster Avenue.

The landmarked mini-neighborhood you'll find here is called Midwood Park. A couple blocks away, at the intersection of Glenwood Road, there's Fiske Terrace.

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The company cut beams, frames and trims for 30 different models of prefabricated Midwood Park houses at a factory located on East 56th Street near Jamaica Bay, a 2006 *CityLand* story about the neighborhood says.

Fiske Terrace is named for oil merchant George Fiske, who along with his wife and his brother owned the land where the micro-neighborhood is located. They sold it to developer T.B. Ackerson, which did the development there.

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ON NOV. 19, 1954, the *Eagle* reported, "Walter O'Malley, revealing that he receives concrete offers 'continuously,' stated today that the Dodgers are 'not for sale,' and fired a point-blank 'no' to the rumored possibility that the franchise is in danger of moving to another city, particularly Los Angeles. Back in his Montague St. office after a week's tour of Puerto Rico and Cuba, the Dodger president smiled, 'If our good fans in Los Angeles want to see our Dodgers, let them come to Ebbets Field next season.'"

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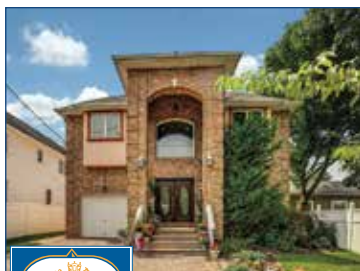
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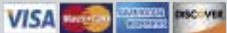
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## This Week in History

# Central Class of 1886 feels old only in age

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It was a hale and hearty group of 14 "young men and women" which gathered in the cafeteria of Grover Cleveland High School, Grandview Ave. and Himrod St., Ridgewood, yesterday to discuss their school days at the Central Grammar School back in '86, and they didn't mind letting everyone know that they were "old but well preserved."

The occasion for the gathering was the semi-annual luncheon of the class of 1886 of the Central Grammar School, the predecessor of Boys and Girls High School.

Back went their memories 50 years, and throughout the luncheon, the old bakery shop, the graduation, the good old teachers and other outstanding events in their high school days were the chief topics of conversation.

"We couldn't call our school a high school then," explained Albert E. Bobo, the president of the association. "The taxpayers wouldn't have stood for such luxuries as a high school. The feeling against a high school was strong in Brooklyn, though in the two years we were students there, we took all the required subjects. In fact, I was admitted to Wesleyan College on my certificate from Central Grammar."

The men members, who at former meetings of the association remarked that the "girls of the class wouldn't come to the meetings because they didn't want to give away their age," were fooled, for at yesterday's luncheon, eight of the 14 present were the girls of the class. In fact, Mrs. Orrin R. Judd is vice president of the association.

The semi-chorus which performed so nobly at graduation time was hastily reassembled from among those present, and with the aid of Miss Harriet Hale, daughter of one of the old school's instructors, who was guest of honor at the luncheon, sang once again the graduation selections.

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## This Week in History



Brooklyn Daily Eagle cover from Nov. 21, 1944

ON NOV. 20, 1944, the *Brooklyn Daily Eagle* reported, "Paris, Nov. 21 (U.P.) — Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower said today the only sensible course open to the German Army is to fight to the bitter end west of the Rhine. Eisenhower suggested inferentially that he expected the final battle of the European war to be fought west of the Rhine, where six Allied armies were waging the Allied grand offensive and hammering the Nazis back along a 400-mile front. But the battle will not be easy, the supreme commander warned at a press conference. To win the victory and peace, he said, "We've got to fight like hell for it. Now let's do it" ... He recalled that he had said in a war review five weeks ago that aggressive pressure would be maintained despite the weather, and that is what now is being done. 'There is a job here for every man fit for battle we can bring in and supply,' he said, 'and it's up to every man back home to give him everything he needs — that's my prescription for victory.'"

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ON NOV. 20, 1949, the *Eagle* reported, "The 30-year-old Shah of Iran received a welcome worthy of his title, King of Kings, as he took the traditional ride up Broadway from Bowling Green to City Hall to be greeted by Mayor [William] O'Dwyer. Ticker tape and confetti flowed from the windows of the vaulting office buildings along the way much as the oil gushes from the wells of his native country. Crowds jammed the streets, some of them on their ordinary lunch hours and others attracted by advance news of the visitor, whose official name is His Imperial Majesty Mohammed Reza Shah Pahlevi, Shanshah of Iran ... The mayor, in presenting a scroll to the Shah at ceremonies in the packed City Council room, pointed out that 'Persia since the end of the war has been on the side of the Western democracies.'"

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ON NOV. 20, 1951, the *Eagle* reported, "Washington (U.P.) — American servicemen from Korea to Berlin will feast on turkey tomorrow. The Defense Department said today that the Army Quartermaster Corps, which buys perishable food for all the services, began shipping turkeys overseas last May so that the armed forces everywhere will have traditional turkey dinners on Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day. The Quartermaster Corps contracted for a total of 12,000,000 pounds of turkeys. The first shipments went to remote Arctic posts in Newfoundland, which can be supplied by ship only during July and August. The Far East command got 500,000 pounds of turkeys by Nov. 1, with another 900,000 pounds on the way. Meanwhile, the chief Army and Navy chaplains called for special Thanksgiving prayers."

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ON NOV 20, 1952, the *Eagle* reported, "Dedicated to providing a full Christmas stocking for hundreds of poor children, especially the crippled and handicapped, the Knights Before Christmas, headed by columnist Edward Zeltner, the organization's founder-president, last night staged a lively all-star show in the Academy of Music. On behalf of the 'Knights,' a 'compact little group of professional and businessmen and public officials,' Zeltner expressed appreciation for the public's 'generous support' and acted as master of ceremonies. Entertainers of stage, screen and radio, headed by Sam Levenson, appeared in the three-hour show staged by Eugene Pleshette, manager of the Brooklyn Paramount Theater."

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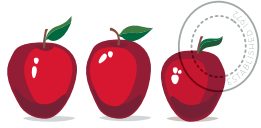
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# Ba(b)y Ridge MamaCon offers informative support for new and expectant families

BY JOHN ALEXANDER

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It was all about new and expectant families at the first Ba(b)y Ridge MamaCon that took place Sunday, Nov. 17.

According to Heather Tomoyasu, founder and editor-in-chief of the Bay Ridge Families blog, “Bay Ridge is consistently named one of the best places to raise a family in New York City, yet we do not have the types of events and resources that other areas such as Park Slope, Brooklyn Heights and Williamsburg have in abundance.”

Tomoyasu and Bay Ridge Families decided to change all that. “A few years ago, I founded Bay Ridge Families, which produces



**Rita Meade of the Brooklyn Public Library with Shaun and Laura Smith of Brooklyn Keto.**

weekly kid-friendly event roundups and digital annual guides, such as the Bay Ridge & Beyond Guides to Halloween, winter holidays,

birthday parties, summer camps and more,” she told this paper.

Ba(b)y Ridge MamaCon, held at the Lutheran Elementary School, 440 Ovington Ave., was Tomoyasu’s first major event. “This is our way to support local moms and businesses to meet and know the resources we have,” she said.

Among those participating in the MamaCon were All Sports for All People/Camp Olympia, Bitten Brooklyn, Brooklyn Public Library, Brooklyn Hemp Healer, Brooklyn Keto, Owl’s Head Yoga, the Little Gym of Bay Ridge-Bensonhurst and Changing Seasons Yoga.



**MamaCon host Heather Tomoyasu with Jill Swenson of Guirguis OBGYN.**

There were about 45 guests, 10 vendor tables and panel discussions with experts including a local doula, midwife, OBGYN, pediatricians, lactation counselors, a postpartum physical therapist, sleep coaches and a prenatal yoga teacher at the MamaCon.

There was food provided by ALC Italian Grocery and giveaway prizes including a \$500 stroller, a \$50 gift card to a children’s boutique and mini holiday photo session.

Among the local sponsors for the MamaCon were GPM Pediatrics and Guirguis OBGYN.

Jill Swenson of Guirguis OBGYN was thrilled to be at the event. “It’s amazing to have these kinds of resources in Bay Ridge,”

Swenson told this paper. “We have offices in Park Slope, Staten Island and Bay Ridge, and we need these support services as far as taking care of our pregnant patients. So to be able to network and see what’s available in our own

backyard is priceless,” she added.

Also sponsoring the event was City Councilmember Justin Brannan. “I was truly proud to support the first ever MamaCon hosted by resident rockstar Heather Tomoyasu,” Brannan told this paper.

“Our neighborhood was voted the best place in Brooklyn to raise a family, so it’s no longer a secret,” he went on. “That’s why building community like this is so important. They say it takes a village, so new and expecting parents getting together to share in each other’s experiences and learn from each other is incredibly meaningful. I look forward to next year’s MamaCon because I know it will only grow from here. Today Bay Ridge, tomorrow the Javits Center!”



**MamaCon host Heather Tomoyasu with Danielle Pomo of Changing Seasons Yoga for Kids.**



**Panel discussion moderator and sleep coach Caroline Romanyuk.**

## NYRR Open Run hosts Turkey Trot & Food Drive

BY JOHN ALEXANDER

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Lace up your running shoes and get ready to walk or run for a good cause.

The New York Road Runners Open Run and State Sen. Andrew Gounardes have joined forces to hold a Turkey Trot & Food Drive on Saturday, Nov. 23 at Shore Road Park.

Participants are asked to meet at 79th Street and Shore Road for an 8:45 a.m. check-in for a 9 a.m. start.

The goal of the event is to bring people out to participate in a three mile or 5K turkey trot, part of NYRR’s free weekly walk or run program for all ages and abilities, being held this weekend

along with a food drive that benefits Grandma’s Love, Inc. All participants are asked to bring non-perishable, non-expired donated items that will be collected at 10 a.m. that morning.

Former Community Board 10 Parks Committee Chair June Johnson has been a vocal advocate for the event. “People always ask me, will you be running in the event, and I always tell them that I don’t run or walk, I just like to help out and volunteer,” she told this paper.

The New York Road Runners has been around for over 60 years and has grown into a renowned running organization with a mission to inspire people through running.

The Shore Road Open Run launched in May



**Volunteers and participants at the weekly run.**

2018 with the purpose of bringing people in the Bay Ridge community out to spend time with family and friends from all age groups.

“I enjoy it because it’s a cross-section of our neighborhood residents, all

ethnicities, young and old, moms with baby carriages, people running with their dogs and everyone gets along,” said Johnson.

Gounardes, who runs with the Ridge Runners, told this paper, “Thanksgiving

season is a time to give thanks and give back.

“As part of my 3 for Community initiative, I am proud to partner with the NYRR to sponsor two Turkey Trots, one in Bay Ridge and one in Marine Park, for families to

enjoy outdoor recreation and donate to those in need at the same time,” he went on. “I hope you can come out to join me at a Turkey Trot. Happy Thanksgiving!”

For more information, visit: [openrun.nyrr.org](http://openrun.nyrr.org).

Photo courtesy of New York Road Runners

# Community leader Bob Howe addresses Brooklyn Real Estate Board

BY JOHN ALEXANDER

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It was all about the art of closing the deal at the Brooklyn Real Estate Board's meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 6.

The guest speaker was Bay Ridge attorney Robert Howe, who is a member of Bay Ridge Lawyers and the New York State Bar Association and also serves as president of both the Merchants of Third Avenue and the Bay Ridge-Bensonhurst Beautification Alliance.

Real Estate Board President Joanne Valerio welcomed guests to the meeting, held at the Knights of Columbus, 1305 86th Street, and introduced Howe to the packed room. Howe humbly described himself as a "simple country lawyer from Bay Ridge."

He began by saying that the first step to closing a deal, from accepted

offer to closing table, is to be prepared. "We all work together, my colleagues and I, the attorneys, the brokers, the title companies, the mortgage brokers — all of us work together to close the deal," said Howe.

The first question he asks when the deal comes to his desk is, are all the terms of the deal really fleshed out?

"I'd like to ask all realtors to flesh out all the details before the deal gets to the attorney," he explained. "It makes for a much quicker contract process. If you have not worked out all the terms of your deal, you are handing me your million-dollar baby and you are now saying, 'Boy, I hope Bob doesn't screw it up or drop the baby.'"

Howe offered a number of helpful tips and recommendations for realtors to follow before approaching a lawyer to finalize a contract. The personal property clause, for example, should



Guest speaker Bob Howe with Brooklyn Real Estate Board President Joanne Valerio.

clearly state what is going to be left in the apartment or building, such as appliances like refrigerators and air conditioners.

"Who wants to be at a closing where the seller has taken all the air conditioners out of the windows and the buyer thought all of the air conditioners were going to be left?" said Howe. "Air conditioners could cost \$500 each, and it shouldn't be an issue at the closing after we've spent three or

four months negotiating the contract," he added.

Howe said he loved lecturing about real estate law. "I truly enjoy speaking about it and I especially love giving brokers little tips on how to be a better broker, make more money and sell more houses," he told this paper.

Attending the meeting were other community leaders, including Brian Chin, vice president and branch manager of Northfield Bank.



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Attorney Bob Howe was the keynote speaker at the Bay Ridge Real Estate Board meeting.

"The Brooklyn Real Estate Board is a wonderful community organization," Chin said. "On a monthly basis, the association holds educational meetings with presenters in the real estate field. Tonight, we had the pleasure of having Robert Howe, an esteemed Bay Ridge attorney, as the guest speaker. It was an exciting and highly informative meeting," he said.

Valerio said she was thrilled to have Howe address the group. "Closing

the deal from beginning to end was very informative for all our guests this evening," she told this paper. "We had a very big turnout and it was especially nice to have Bob Howe, a long-time attorney in Bay Ridge with 38 years of experience in the business, speaking to our group tonight."

The Brooklyn Real Estate Board is a networking organization that has been educating the community about real estate and related matters since 1926.

## Holy Cross Brooklyn Outreach Center hosts annual Thanksgiving fundraiser to help the homeless

BY JOHN ALEXANDER

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Teens and adults from all across the Bay Ridge and Dyker Heights communities prepared sandwiches and collected clothes and essentials for their monthly midnight run to deliver meals and various items to the homeless as part of a monthly run sponsored by Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church and the Brooklyn Outreach Center

This month's run took place on Friday, Nov. 15. Then, on Monday, Nov. 18, the outreach center held its annual Thanksgiving fundraising event at Mussels & More, 8001 Fifth Avenue in Bay Ridge.

Since March 2008, Orthodox Christians in communities throughout the borough have been conducting midnight runs to bring food, clothing and toiletries to New York City's homeless. These community efforts inspired a group



Photos by Angela Athineos

St. Mary's teens Panayoti, Johnny, Antonio and Chirag prepare to take food and supplies on Midnight Run.

of Orthodox philanthropists to become involved and help fund the effort.

In 2013, HCBOC was established as a charitable organization open to all communities in order to promote philanthropy throughout the borough and New York City, and to provide holistic care for the less fortunate, including physical, emotional and spiritual needs.

Board members include Maria Vasaka-Monioudis,

president of Holy Cross Outreach Center; Rev. Gerasimos Makris of Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church in Bay Ridge; and community leaders Zoe Koutsoupakis, Ioannis Pavlakos, Peter Kontopirakis, Angela Athineos and Claudia Zain.

"Over the last 11 years, we have been able to serve over 52,000 meals to the homeless of New York City, and over 8,000 bags of groceries to the elderly



Rev. Gerasimos Makris and Maria Vasaka-Monioudis present honoree Lefteri Theodorakis for his work with the homeless at Thanksgiving fundraiser.

and homebound of our community along with

home visits to share a warm smile and show of support to our neighbors in need," said Vasaka-Monioudis.

"We have been thankful to have the support of the Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, and many local schools and youth organizations as well their devoted community leaders," she added.

Current HCBOC programs include the Homeless Midnight Run and Outreach on the Go. For the Homeless Midnight Run, the organization prepares sandwiches and food packages along with clothing and toiletries to distribute to the homeless. For Outreach on the Go, HCBOC volunteers prepare home-cooked meals for home delivery.

The fundraising event was hosted by Makris and Vasaka-Monioudis. "Today, the Holy Cross Brooklyn Outreach Center would like to honor one of our own dedicated volunteers,

Lefteri Theodorakis, who has been volunteering on Homeless Midnight runs for years," said Vasaka-Monioudis. "Lefteri goes above and beyond to always make sure to talk to the homeless people we meet. That means the world to someone who lives on the street."

She went on to explain that last month Theodorakis came upon a homeless man hunched over in pain. He started talking to him and realized the man was having a heart attack.

"We quickly called for help and waited for the Fire Department and ambulance to arrive," said Vasaka-Monioudis. "All this while hundreds of people walked right by this man. Thank God for volunteers like Lefteri, who saved this man from dying on the street." Theodorakis was presented with a plaque for his heroic efforts.

Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church is located at 8401 Ridge Blvd.

For more information, go to HCBOC.org.

# Bay Ridge St. Patrick's Day Parade marshals sashed at annual meet-and-greet

BY JAIME DEJESUS

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Although Thanksgiving, Christmas and Chanukah are on the minds of many, other area residents have already turned their thoughts to St. Patrick's Day.

Honorees for the 27th Annual Bay Ridge St. Patrick's Day Parade – to be held on Sunday, March 22 – were announced during a meet-and-greet at Hunter's Steak and Ale House, 9404 Fourth Ave, on Sunday, Nov. 17.

The 2019 parade's grand marshal will be Linda

Gallagher-Lomanto, president of the Bay Ridge Saint Patrick's Day Parade Committee.

"I'm very humbled and proud that the committee has chosen me to lead the 27th Bay Ridge St Patrick's Day Parade down Third Avenue," she said. "The parade committee and its sponsors have done a wonderful job keeping Irish culture and heritage thriving in Bay Ridge. I'm inspired by my fellow honorees' involvement and dedication to this wonderful community event through all their different efforts. I'm looking forward to a beautiful and

sunny day on March 22!"

Deputy marshals for the 27th annual parade include The Brooklyn Eagle's own Meaghan McGoldrick, and Judy Conway, Tracy McDonagh-Joerss, Eileen Tynion, Krissy Woods-Hansen, Eric DiRamio, Chris Cody, Steve McEvoy, Billy Murphy and John Ward.

Installing the parade's grand marshal and deputy marshals is a "happy task," according to Parade Vice President Richie O'Mara, who called it, "One of the bigger rewards among many we as Committee members receive.

"It was especially



Photo courtesy of the Bay Ridge St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee

The grand marshal and deputy marshals of the Bay Ridge St. Patrick's Day Parade were sashed on Sunday, Nov. 17 during a meet-and-greet at Hunter's.

rewarding this year as we sashed an outstanding class of the best Bay Ridge has to offer in front of loving family and friends,"

O'Mara added. "Their Irish and community pride were clearly evident, and it was exciting to witness how they bonded as a group in

mutual admiration of their countless accomplishments. It's going to be another fantastic parade season – congratulations to them all!"

## Lincoln outlasts Midwood to advance to the semi-finals

BY JIM DOLAN

LINCOLN 24  
MIDWOOD 22

After beating Midwood 36-24 the week before to secure the converted fourth seed for home field advantage, the 6-3 Lincoln Railsplitters once again played the seven seeded 5-4 Hornets to open the first week of the quarter-final round of the PSAL playoffs.

"Playing the same team gives us a chance to improve and correct our mistakes from last week," stated Lincoln Coach Shawn O'Connor, who never envisioned that the closest game of the season was about to unfold.

After a scoreless first quarter, Lincoln quarterback Jahzair Hubbard exploded to open the second quarter to score on a 69-yard touchdown run, which was immediately followed by Justice Rogers's safety to give Lincoln an early 8-0 lead.

Hubbard continued the Railsplitters' momentum on his next drive and connected with Quincy McDuffie on a five-yard pass to give Lincoln a 16-0 lead. Undeterred by Lincoln's last three scores, David Stephens came back to drive his team downfield



Photo by Jim Dolan

**Lincoln's Terrell Alston (#50) blocks as quarterback Jahzair Hubbard (one rushing TD and two TD passes) hands off to the PSAL's leading rusher (#7) Izzy Abanikanda who scored the game-winning two-point conversion to beat Midwood 24-22 late in the fourth quarter to send the Railsplitters to the semi-finals.**

59 yards late in the second quarter as the Midwood quarterback scored on a six-yard run to finish the half with the Hornets trailing the Railsplitters, 16-6.

Trailing by six points with two minutes left in the game, the Railsplitters took over on their own 32-yard line as Hubbard engineered a 57-yard passing attack and finally connected with Lloyd Williams on an 11-yard pass to tie the game at 22-22.

With the game tied, O'Connor went to Izzy Abanikanda, the league's top scorer, who ran for the two-point conversion

for the final score of 24-22. With 50 seconds left, the Hornets made their last attempt to win the game as time ran out at the Lincoln 33-yard line.

"Hubbard drove the Railsplitters' train for the win today," said Lincoln Media Manager Vinny Aceto, commenting on the PSAL's leading quarterback with 89 completions and 14 touchdown passes on the season.

Advancing to the semi-finals next week, fourth seeded Lincoln will travel to first seeded, undefeated Tottenville, while second seeded Erasmus will host third seeded Curtis.

## Fontbonne honors veterans



BY JULIETTE PICCINI TUGANDER

On Nov.12, Fontbonne Hall Academy raised a special flag during an early morning ceremony in honor of Veterans Day. The flag was flown on July 4, 2019 during a combat mission in Iraq/Syria. It was presented with a certificate to Fontbonne's Students for Soldiers Club in September as a thank-you for the donations received from the school's Christmas Drive and spring Buddies Beyond Battle Drive.

Social studies teacher Gregory Fiasconaro moderates the Students for Soldiers Club.

Tommasina Cardone '20 is the club's president, and Isabella Chirico '20 is the club's executive officer.

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Saint Ephrem Catholic Academy celebrated Halloween on Oct. 26 with a party for students and families in the gym. The night was filled with fun activities including pumpkin decorating, bingo, a haunted house, a costume contest and raffles.

The school has many people to thank for the party's success. Phyllis Marrone chaired the event, assisted by a dedicated committee. The Fathers' Club helped with the new haunted house attraction, and Jimmy Mola, a school parent, was the DJ for the evening.

The school's next event, the Father-Daughter Masquerade Dance, will be held in November.



Photo courtesy of Nicole DiCamillo

Fontbonne Hall Academy's Students for Soldiers Club held a flag-raising ceremony in honor of Veterans Day.



# IN PUBLIC SERVICE

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## JEFFRIES CALLS IMPEACHMENT HEARING 'A SOLEMN DAY'

U.S. Rep. Hakeem Jeffries, chairperson of the House Democratic Caucus, spoke out last week when the House Intelligence Committee began impeachment hearings against President Donald Trump.

"Today is a very serious day. It's a solemn day. It's a sober day. We didn't come to Congress to impeach this president or any president. We came to Congress to get things done on behalf of everyday Americans," Jeffries

said at a press conference on Capitol Hill.

"We didn't come to Congress to impeach this president or any president, but duty requires that we pursue this inquiry because no one is above the law. The House is a separate and coequal branch of government. We don't work for Donald Trump," said Jeffries, a Democrat whose district includes parts of Fort Greene, Bed-Stuy, Canarsie, Mill Basin and Coney Island.

## ADAMS SAYS BLOOMBERG APOLOGY THE RIGHT MOVE

Borough President Eric Adams, a former police captain, said former mayor Michael Bloomberg's apology over the NYPD's controversial stop-and-frisk policy during his mayoralty was the right thing to do.

Adams, who sat down with Bloomberg prior to the former mayor's public apology, said he appreciated the opportunity to speak with him. Bloomberg, who served as mayor from 2001 to 2013, had defended the policy for several years. He issued an apology on Nov. 17.

"Today, we reaffirm that stop-and-frisk is a

lawful policing tool that was improperly abused in communities of color. An apology can never erase the humiliation and trauma that hundreds of thousands endured from abuses of stop-and-frisk. What it can do is provide a spark for greater healing along the long arc of history bending toward justice. Mayor Bloomberg's apology moves in that direction, and I have further encouraged him to commit himself and his organization to the restorative justice and community engagement work needed both here and across our country," Adams said.

## LEVIN RESPONDS TO DE BLASIO HOMELESS OUTREACH

Councilmember Stephen Levin, chairperson of the General Welfare Committee, spoke out on Mayor Bill de Blasio's new initiative, Outreach NYC, a program designed to help homeless New Yorkers.

"The de Blasio administration's newly announced Outreach NYC program, which will train thousands of NYC agency staff to call 311 to report when they see a homeless individual and hire additional outreach workers, while well-intentioned, is not the

solution we need to really make an impact on reducing the number of people sleeping on the street and in the subways," said Levin, a Democrat representing Greenpoint, DUMBO and Downtown Brooklyn.

"The calls I get from constituents who live on the street are not concerns about talking to enough outreach workers. It's that interactions with outreach staff can often be frustrating because they're not able to provide what the person needs," Levin said.

## LENTOL PUSHES FOR COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH CLINICS

Assemblymember Joseph Lentol has introduced a bill to establish mental health community clinics across New York State. The clinics will be set up to focus on issues like eating disorders, substance abuse, suicide prevention, anger management and depression.

"We must treat mental health as comprehensively as we do physical health," said Lentol, a Democrat representing North Brooklyn. "Expanding access to mental health services

is not only the right thing to do, but it is a public health emergency. New York State must provide comprehensive and accessible means of mental health treatment for those who need it."

Lentol's bill would mandate that the New York State Department of Health create state-wide integrated mental health community clinics in order to expand access to mental health treatment services so those who need it so that they can access it in their own communities.

## MYRIE REACTS TO CUOMO CENSUS FUNDS

State Sen. Zellnor Myrie, who has been pushing Gov. Andrew Cuomo to release millions of dollars in state funding to conduct public outreach for the 2020 Census, said he is pleased the money has been released.

"After long delay and consistent calls from hard-to-count communities, we are pleased to see that the governor's office has made the Census funding available for our communities and plans to leverage state agencies to conduct Census outreach," said

Myrie, a Democrat representing Crown Heights and parts of Park Slope and Sunset Park

"But, as always, the devil is in the details. It is still unclear to us whether historically under-counted communities, like Brooklyn, will receive a proportion of the funding that is commensurate with their unique need and, whether that funding will be dispersed as expeditiously as possible given how close the Census is," Myrie said.

## COMMITTEE PASSES MALONEY'S WOMEN'S HISTORY MUSEUM BILL

The Committee on House Administration unanimously passed a bill sponsored by U.S. Rep. Carolyn Maloney to build a Smithsonian Women's History Museum on the National Mall.

The bill will head to the floor for a vote by the full House.

"It is long past time that women's contributions to our nation were recognized, and I'm so glad to see that this is an issue that has broad, bipartisan support," said Maloney, a Democrat whose district includes parts of North Brooklyn.

Her bill also has 293 co-sponsors.

"How can you empower women, if you don't even recognize them? Too often, women's accomplishments and impacts are like quicksand. They just disappear," said Maloney, addressing the need for a museum.

Although there are museums around the country focusing on various aspects of women's history, there is no single



Photo by Jordan Rathkopf

**U.S. Rep. Carolyn Maloney says it's long past time "that women's contributions to our nation were recognized."**

comprehensive museum dedicated to the contributions women have made in American society, according to Maloney.

## COUNCIL PASSES TREYGER'S BILLS

The City Council unanimously passed two bills sponsored by Councilmember Mark Treyger dealing with housing and education at its meeting on Nov. 14.

One bill would mandate the city's Housing and Preservation Department to provide a report no later than Sept. 1, 2021,

with information on the outcomes of affordable housing lotteries. The law will help inform the public of exactly who qualifies for affordable housing, Treyger said.

"This law will help shed light on the demand for affordable housing units in New York City, and create transparency for

residents who apply to the affordable housing lottery," said Treyger, a Democrat representing Coney Island, Gravesend and parts of Bensonhurst.

Treyger also sponsored a bill to require the Department of Education to report on the demographics of staff in all schools, including teachers, leadership staff, paraprofessionals, social workers, psychologists and counselors.

The idea behind the legislation is to offer a full picture of the public school system, where 13 percent of students are English language learners; 20 percent are students with disabilities; 72 percent are economically disadvantaged; 40 percent are Hispanic and 25 percent are black. He said, "Our school system should reflect the rich diversity of our student populations."



Photo courtesy of Councilmember Mark Treyger's office

**Councilmember Mark Treyger (at podium) said the school system "should reflect the rich diversity of our student populations."**

## PERSAUD HOSTS RENT REGULATION TOWN HALL

State Sen. Roxanne Persaud has teamed up with the Legal Aid Society to sponsor a town hall focusing on New York State's rent regulations.

The Nov. 14 forum took place at P.S. 13 at 557 Pennsylvania Ave.

Residents who attended

the session received information on how rent regulations have changed following passage of the New York State Housing Stability and Tenant Protection Act of 2019.

"Thank you to the Legal Aid Society for their great help in keeping our

community informed, and to everyone who came out to be educated on the new rent regulations in New York State," said Persaud, a Democrat whose district includes Canarsie, East New York, Brownsville, Mill Basin, Marine Park and Flatlands.

## OPINION

# ONE OF THE GOOD ONES RETIRES

Rep. Peter King of Long Island announced his retirement upon completion of his 14th term last week. I have literally known him for decades, going back to when he was Nassau County comptroller and also as a candidate for statewide office.

Peter is often described as an independent, outspoken voice for his constituents as well as the nation as a whole on homeland security and terrorism issues. He certainly was all of those things. For me though, he is one of those rare public officials who never forgot where he came from. Son of a police officer, he retained through his long career admiration for law enforcement.

Growing up in Queens, he never forgot his humble background. In fact, he liked returning to his old Queens neighborhood to have breakfast at his favorite diner and enjoyed getting out to a Mets game as often as his schedule would allow.

His work in Congress on security issues in the years following 9/11 played a major role in creating and defining the Department of Homeland Security. And in this capacity, he ensured that New York, arguably the most at-risk portion of the nation, would receive the resources necessary to protect itself from further terrorist threats. He did the same in the wake of Superstorm Sandy when Congress

was taking too much time responding to the Northeast's needs.

After a long and rewarding career in public service, we should not be surprised when an elected official decides to retire. Peter's daughter Erin, an elected official herself, recently moved with her husband and children to North Carolina, where her husband was starting a new job. I feel certain that the desire of Peter and his wife to spend time with their grandchildren who would not be living locally anymore factored into their decision. They are normal people doing normal things to keep close to their loved ones.

Peter King will be missed in government and missed



## COMMON SENSE

BY JERRY KASSAR

After a long and rewarding career in public service, we should not be surprised when an elected official decides to retire.

by his Long Island community. I wish this humble man the best for the future.

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The Brooklyn Conservative Party presented author Norm Champ on Wednesday, Nov. 20 at the Wicked Monk in Bay Ridge for a book signing of his new book, "Mastering Money: How to Beat Debt, Build

Wealth, and Be Prepared for Any Financial Crisis."

Champ is a partner for investment funds in the New York Law firm Kirkland & Ellis.

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I saw a post on social media from Liam McCabe calling for a town hall on bike lanes. He notes that he constantly sees people speeding on their bikes down sidewalks directly across from the "bike lanes."

I think we could all add something, ranging from there are too many that see near zero use to protected lanes creating traffic havoc.

In liberal Park Slope a few weeks back, the community board's attempt to hold a

town hall-like discussion on a Ninth Street bike lane became chaotic. I suspect that those who support the criss-crossing of Bay Ridge and Dyker Heights would get an earful if a town hall went forward.

I wonder why there has not been one hosted by our local Democratic councilmember? Is it possible that he is afraid of what the result would be of a large meeting to discuss the re-making of our community's streets?

There should be a town hall. It would be an opportunity for the many residents who choose not to fight their battles on Twitter and Facebook to have their voices heard.

# SCARING UP SUPPORT

"Slashed! Dozens of cars left flat in Ridge," read the headline in a local Brooklyn newspaper after about 40 cars in Bay Ridge had their tires punctured overnight.

This sounds like it is in reference to recent acts of vandalism, but this local article was from Nov. 30, 2011, when the same thing happened, just as it has occurred every few years during my entire life in Southern Brooklyn.

I don't need to find 30-year-old archived articles of such instances because I remember firsthand waking on a morning in the 1980s to find neighbors out surveying all of the cars parked on our block which had had their windows smashed. I recall the many times throughout the years when similar forms of vandalism occurred.

There are many possible motivations for such destructive acts and throughout the years, law

enforcement has gotten to the bottom of almost all of them, discovering who committed them and why, but overwhelmingly, most were orchestrated with some underlying coordination by someone looking to benefit in the aftermath.

Those 2011 tire slashings were organized by a tire shop looking to reap additional business from those suddenly in need of new tires. Similarly, auto glass shops most often are behind car window smashings that have occurred in Southern Brooklyn every few years, for as long as I can remember.

It was also the likely motivation a year ago when stores from Bay Ridge to Bensonhurst took down their signs en masse, as they faced thousands of dollars in fines over some antiquated technicality after the Department of Buildings was flooded with anonymous complaints.

Local sign stores suddenly were beset with additional business from those needing to make their signs compliant. Fortunately, the City Council passed legislation within weeks eliminating the fines and updated the outdated laws causing the problem.

Some want you to believe that these acts of vandalism mean crime is as bad as we have ever seen, but that is like pointing to one cold, snowy day during a very mild winter and citing it as proof of it being one of the coldest seasons on record.

Councilmember Brannan was influential in that swift response last year. There was a problem with the law and the City Council quickly addressed it legislatively. The crime of vandalizing personal property falls under the purview of the



## MATTER OF FACT

BY JAY BROWN

NYPD and, no doubt, they are working to solve the case.

Disappointingly, some are using these unsolved crimes, which have affected scores of people, to make political attacks. They are conflating multiple issues, from bike lanes to criminal justice reform, to make wild leaps that vandals are suddenly running wild because of who holds elected office and where they stand on matters completely unrelated to someone slashing tires.

As the NYPD, which has responsibility for following up on the recent vandalism, performs its investigation, some with a political axe to grind are criticizing Councilmember Brannan and Sen. Gounardes simply for being in office when

these crimes occurred. I never recall former city councilmembers or state senators, Republicans and Democrats alike, being slammed for the 2011 tire slashings or any of the myriad other occurrences of vandalism over the years.

That's because they promptly coordinated with local precincts on the response, the same way our current elected officials are doing now. Even though the NYPD does not report to our local legislative representatives, they have always partnered with them to solve and resolve these vandalism sprees, which have occurred during every elected's tenure.

Crime is statistically low overall, compared to decades past, but that doesn't mean anyone denies this particular crime took place.

Some want you to believe that these acts of vandalism mean crime is as bad as we have ever seen, but that is like pointing to one cold, snowy day during a very mild winter and citing it as proof of it being one of the coldest seasons on record.

Some want you to believe that elected officials oversee law enforcement and when a crime occurs, it means they hate the police, despite the fact that such criticisms of these criminal acts occurring and the perpetrators not being found yet are actually direct attacks on the police.

Some want you to be afraid because they think it will personally benefit their own political fortunes. They don't think you're smart enough to comprehend the facts. Their disrespect for your intelligence is downright criminal.



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OPINION

# Focus on Bay Ridge

By Charles F. Otey



## Chip Cafiero's civic work helps define Bay Ridge as leading volunteer community

*Returning from serious accident in Bermuda, Cafiero deserves a hero's welcome home*

By the time many of you read this, **Chip Cafiero** — whose dynamic, caring spirit has helped make Bay Ridge the vibrant and noteworthy neighborhood it is — will likely have returned from Bermuda, where he has been recovering from a serious scooter accident.

Working with likeminded leaders such as former State Sen. **Marty Golden**, Merchants of Third Avenue President **Bob Howe**, Adelphi Academy of Brooklyn's **Al Corhan** and **Lori Pedone**, Bay Ridge Community Council President **Ralph Succar**, the late **Gloria Melnick** and the unforgettable late **Larry Morrish** (to name just a few), Cafiero has put the muscle and might behind cleanups, the Summer Stroll on 3rd, the Ragamuffin Parade, the Third Avenue Pioneer Reception, the Third Avenue Festival and the Bay Ridge Haunted Halloween Walk here for almost 40 years.

News that he had been in a serious accident came as truly upsetting to his family and a shock to those of us who see him as sort of indestructible — the epitome of the Brooklyn guy who looks at something difficult and just wades right in to get it done.

As a result, Cafiero has an institutional memory on par with the information contained in the archives of this newspaper, which has been around for more than six decades. He has a gift for sorting out the “fly by nights” (those who get involved in an event for immediate ego reasons) and true Bay Ridgeites (people like the aforementioned Melnick, who like Cafiero, was a public school teacher and gave back to her students a thousand-fold in community service through the BRCC, the Ragamuffin Parade Committee and many Bay Ridge Clean-Up events).

Those who have worked closely with Cafiero, Golden and Morrish knew that losing Morrish a few years back would take a sharp toll on volunteerism in Bay Ridge. When Golden, who had partnered with Cafiero on cleanups, the Halloween Walk and countless other vital public events, became a private citizen last year, it was clear that even more of the civic burden here would fall to Cafiero, Howe and other Third Avenue leaders like **Brian Chin**, **Sheila Brody**, **John Keegan**, **Bob Daquara**, **Dan Texeira**, **Patrick Gilbride** and **Jeanine Condon**.

### To sustain work of Cafiero & Co., Third Avenue needs a BID

They are at the core of the move to form a Business Improvement District along Third Avenue. The BID effort has uniform support among those who have been civically active along the avenue and throughout the Greater Bay Ridge community. The only dissenters, it seems, are those who have been given false information or haven't ever taken an interest in the broader scene beyond their front doors.

Especially due to the Ragamuffin spirit, new, reliable leaders have emerged. Following years of excellent performance, leaders like **Colleen Golden**, **Arlene Keating** and **Ted General** (who has been a positive force in Bay Ridge for as long as we can remember) helped transfer the reins to **Rose Gangi**, **Laurie Windsor**, **Joann**

**Monaco**, **Dave Annarummo** and a group of dedicated volunteers who are sure to take Ragamuffin to its 54th parade and beyond.

But there's simply no replacing icons like Cafiero, Golden and Howe; that's why the merchants of Fifth Avenue and along the busiest portion of 86th Street have formed their own BIDs.

Those who know what makes a community more than a location are urging Third Avenue merchants and business owners to follow their lead and come up with what Howe calls the “Third Avenue Business Investment District,” an allusion to the fact that thoroughfares that become BIDs invariably experience a rise in business, foot traffic and significant financial and other support from the city and their neighborhood.

We will certainly miss Melnick, but we're all giving thanks at this appropriate time that we'll be able to once again directly regard the smiling, generous bulk of Cafiero and say, “Chip, we love you! Never get on a scooter again!”



Shown (left to right) in this 1996 photo are Ragamuffin Man of the Year Chip Cafiero, the late Gloria Melnick and Ragamuffin Grand Marshal Bob Howe.



Cafiero (far left) is pictured at a Greater Bay Ridge Clean-Up event with other leaders, including Marty Golden, Chuck Otey, Jay Sessa and John Logue.

Photos courtesy of Chuck Otey

# OPINION



## GENERALLY SPEAKING

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BY THEODORE GENERAL

# Local politico calls for licensed bicycles

Veteran Democratic District Leader **Ralph Perfetto**, in an appearance at the November monthly meeting of the Bay Ridge Chapter of the AARP at the Shore Hill Community Center, announced that he is calling for the licensing of bicycles for senior and pedestrian safety.

He expressed concern about careless cyclists blowing past red lights and stop signs. Perfetto said that, while he is not looking to tax bike owners, it is important to be able to identify them, and hold them responsible for observing the same traffic rules as motorists.



**Ralph Perfetto holding petition to license bicycles.**



**Guest speakers at Bay Ridge Inter-agency Council on Aging.**

In 2018, 270 pedestrians were struck by cyclists. Perfetto, who formerly served as a Brooklyn ombudsman for the Office of the Public Advocate, is the current president of the Bay Ridge Mental Health Council. After his remarks to the AARP group, Perfetto distributed petition forms to attendees to request that bicycles be licensed.

In addition, guest speaker Firefighter **John Diaz** talked about fire safety. He told the attendees the three major causes of fires were number 1, kitchen fires; number 2, electrical fires; and number 3, dozing off while smoking. Then, State Sen. **Andrew**



**State Sen. Andrew Gounardes presents turkeys to raffle winners.**

**Gounardes** addressed the group and later had three free turkeys raffled off.

At the meeting, the Bay Ridge AARP also concluded its annual food drive benefiting the Bay Ridge Salvation



**Meeting at BRICA.**

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Army Corps with the food collected to be distributed to needy families.

At the November 6 meeting of the Bay Ridge Inter-agency Council on

Aging, the senior caregivers' group heard from four guest speakers: **Charise Lawrence**, Brooklyn outreach director for the New York City Department for the Aging; Physiotherapist **Marcella Talignani**; **Lorraine King**, Bay Ridge Expedia Cruise Ship Center; and **James Tillmon**, regional director of the 2020 Census.

Lawrence distributed copies of DFTA's annual plan summary covering April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021.

Ho, ho, ho ... Jolly Old St. Nick will be arriving at Fort Hamilton for the Christmas Tree Lighting Spectacular

and Holiday Market on Friday, Dec. 6. The tree lighting takes place at 4 p.m. near the main gate by 101st Street and Fort Hamilton Parkway, and the Holiday Market featuring an array of vendors will be held at Building 404, the Community Activity Center, on Sterling Drive until 9 p.m. This event is open to the public, however you must pre-register by calling the Family and MWR Unit at 718-630-4482/4772.

As we get ready to celebrate a tradition that dates back nearly 400 years, we wish you and your families a blessed and Happy Thanksgiving.

## OP-ED

# November is National Alzheimer's Disease Month

The month of November is known has been known as Alzheimer's Awareness Month since President Ronald Reagan made that designation in 1983. According to the Alzheimer's Association, there were fewer than two million people with the disease at that time. As our nation ages, that number has grown to more than five million.

Alzheimer's is a type of dementia that leads to memory, thinking and behavior problems. It is the most common form of dementia, accounting for 60 to 80 percent of all cases, and is also the sixth leading cause of death in the United States.

Sadly, Alzheimer's disease gets worse over time and eventually advances until a person can no longer accomplish daily tasks. In the beginning, memory problems are mild, but as the disease progresses, patients become unaware of their environment and may no longer be able to carry on a conversation. Once their symptoms become noticeable, Alzheimer's patients typically live an average of eight years, but can survive for as many as 20, depending on other health factors.

Although those aged 65 and older are more likely to develop Alzheimer's disease, there are thousands of others under the age of 65 who have early-onset Alzheimer's.

Alzheimer's may be one of the cruelest diseases since those we love seem to "disappear" until the person they were no longer exists.

When we learn that someone has Alzheimer's, we are often devastated and wonder what the future holds for them and for us. We may also worry about how others will react to or treat the person.

When a family member has Alzheimer's, it affects everyone in the family, including the spouse, children and grandchildren.

It's important to talk to them about what is happening. Communication is essential to help understand how to interact with the person with Alzheimer's disease.

Being a caregiver is not easy, and we need to assist family and friends to assess what the person can still do and how much



**BY ASSEMBLYMEMBER PETER J. ABBATE, JR.**

he or she still can understand.

Talking with the person is essential, and making direct eye contact and issuing gentle reminders both help to avoid correcting the person with Alzheimer's. Instead, try to respond to their feelings and emotions and to plan specific activities that they have always enjoyed.

Being considerate is also key. Visit at times when the person with Alzheimer's is at his or her best, speak in a soft voice and not as if to a child, respect his or her personal space and never take it personally if the person with Alzheimer's does not recognize you, or is ever unkind, angry or merely confused.

As a member of the New York State Aging Committee, I continue to work with my colleagues to ensure essential services are available to older adults and those with dementia to help enjoy a high quality of life as they age.

This includes programs such as the Community Services for the Elderly (CSE)

Program, the Expanded In-Home Services for the Elderly Program (EISEP), Caregiver Resource Centers, the Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program (LTCOP), Wellness in Nutrition (WIN) Program, Managed Care Consumer Assistance Program (MCCAP), the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP), senior respite programs, social adult day programs, Naturally Occurring Retirement Communities (NORCs), Neighborhood Naturally Occurring Retirement Communities (NNORCs), the Senior Citizen Rent Increase Exemption (SCRIE) program, Foster Grandparent programs, the Elder Abuse Education and Outreach program, and locally based Meals-on-Wheels programs. The committee also has legislative and budgetary oversight of the Elderly Pharmaceutical Insurance Coverage (EPIC) program, which is administered by the New York State Department of Health.

*"The dementia patient is not giving you a hard time. The dementia patient is having a hard time."*

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