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Grimm: Donors say I'm great

BY DANIEL BUSH

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Grimm (R-Bay Ridge) sponsored a bill that would allow Williams Companies and National Grid to build a \$265 million natural gas pipeline through Mill Basin. A few months later, the two companies donated a total of \$3,000 to Grimm's re-election campaign — contributions critics say prove that Grimm is steeped in Washington's pay-to-play culture.
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DOG DAYS AHEAD: David Dietz, the owner of Puppy Paradise in Marine Park, may have to close his shop following the theft of the pet store's 8-week-old Yorkie — worth \$1,400 — on Feb. 16.
Photo by Steve Solomonson

PUPPY PINCH PAIN

Dognapping may sink shop

BY COLIN MIXSON

Thieves yanked a cuddly little Yorkie out of a Flatbush Avenue pet store on Feb. 16 without knowing the 8-week old pup's true value — if the dog isn't found, the store

it was taken from may have to close.

Puppy Paradise owner David Dietz said that his business is in such dire straits that the loss of
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A LINE IN THE LITTER

Woman with 45 cats faces eviction, but won't part with beloved kitties

BY DANIEL BUSH

A Brighton Beach cat hoarder says she will give up her rent-stabilized home and live on the street rather than part with all but two of the 45 kitties with which she shares her one-bedroom apartment.

Barbara Berger has been ordered by the landlord of her building on Coney Island Avenue near Neptune Avenue to get rid of her furry friends by March 14 if she wants to remain in the apartment, for which she pays \$153 a month.

But the cat lady says she and the felines have nowhere else to go, and she is the best person to take care of her pals Yoshi, Montgomery, Blake, Caca, and all the rest.

"They need a place to live and so do I," said Berger. "I love the cats too much."

Berger said she offered to keep just 10 cats, but the landlord, Herald Realty Group, said "no."

If the landlord has its way, Berger will be allowed to stay in the apartment if she whittles the feline colony that's scratched up the walls and left her place smelling of litter and urine to two, attorneys for the landlord said in housing court last week.

Herald Realty Group declined to comment on Berger's case.

Some of Berger's neighbors — who call the 51-year-old the "Brighton Beach cat lady" — can't wait for the animal exodus to begin.

"It's disgusting," said Julie Obratzova, who lives on the same floor as Berger. Yet Berger believes she



CAT-TASTROPHE: Barbara Berger started with 15 cats but the number has tripled in the past five years. She needs to find new homes for her 45 cats by mid-March, but says nobody's willing to take them in.
Photos by Elizabeth Graham



would be hurting her cats if she let them go.

"I don't want to neglect them," she told us.

The ASPCA removed three of the cats at one point, but Berger refused

to give any more away, a spokesman for the animal rights group said.

The city has no laws that limit the amount of cats or dogs per household, although city Housing Authority residents are limited to one cat or one dog, according to Bret Hopman of the ASPCA.

And a friend of Berger's defended her right to keep the cats, claiming that many of them are so sick or old, no one would want to

give them a home.

"A lot of the cats are not that adoptable," said Andrew Kent.

Berger says she lives on disability checks and whatever she can get from collecting recyclables. She moved into the one-bedroom apartment, which is subsidized by the city, with 15 cats in 2007, but that number ballooned as she took in strays off the street and accepted unwanted kittens from neighbors and friends.

Some borough veterinarians were horrified to learn of the cats' living conditions.

"With that number of cats I think you're bordering on abuse," said Edward Osterman of the Kings Bay Veterinary Hospital in Sheepshead Bay.



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Verizon's pole vault!

Fiske Terrace to be free of offending fiberglass shafts

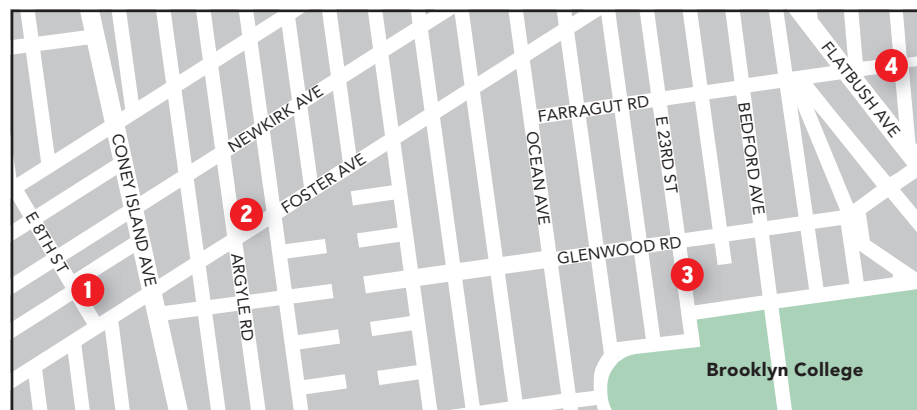
BY ELI ROSENBERG

Verizon admits it has crossed a line in Victorian Flatbush — and plans to replace a pole it illegally put in the neighborhood's historic district with a street-level safety box the company once said would attract vandals.

The telecommunications giant broke the law — with the city's blessing — when it placed a 20-foot fiberglass pole on E. 18th Street between Foster Avenue and Glenwood Road in the middle of the Fiske Terrace–Midwood Park historic district last summer without getting permission from the Landmarks Preservation Commission, prompting outrage in a neighborhood where even lamp posts are historic.

Verizon now claims it will replace the unsightly pole with a smaller, cabinet-sized pedestal to access its high-speed Internet, television, and telephone network.

“If Landmarks has an issue with the fiberglass poles, we'll put in the pedestal,” said Verizon spokesman Richard Windram.



SHAFT TO COME: Verizon may be taking out one of its poles near E. 18th Street, but it wants to place four more in the area. Here's the company's list of locations: **1)** Parkville Avenue and E. Eighth Street, **2)** Argyle Road and Foster Avenue, **3)** E. 23rd Street near Glenwood Road, and **4)** E. 28th Street between Flatbush Avenue or Farragut Road.

But, once again, Verizon has yet to file an application with the city.

“Verizon is planning to file an application with us, but we haven't received it yet,” said Elisabeth de Bourbon, an agency spokeswoman. “We'll review the application and determine whether what they propose is appropriate.”

Residents dismissed any

victory for the little guy, charging that Verizon continues to disrespect them.

“Verizon is being very arrogant,” said Sarina Roffe, a Fiske Terrace resident. “I don't view [the permitting process] as retroactive, just incompetent.”

Other Fiske Terrace residents agreed, and are taking Verizon's change of heart with a pinch of salt.

“You don't know what you're buying until you

see it,” said Fred Baer. “Let them come show us a plan.”

It's not the first time the company has erected poles in the area without proper permits: residents of nearby E. 16th Street between Avenues J and K awoke one morning last February to find the company's clumpy wooden telephone poles marring their block, and have been trying to get Verizon to remove the poles for months.



TEAR DOWN THIS POLE: Fiske Terrace residents Andrea Wicke, Sarah Beranbaum, Aviva Sucher, Pamela Teitelbaum, Nancy Beranbaum, Ali Bogner, and Larry Sillen won their war to remove an illegal Verizon pole on their block. File photo by Steve Solomonson

Board approves open-air piazza — to stick it to TV show

BY WILL BREDDERMAN

A Bay Ridge civic panel approved a controversial proposal for the Third Avenue “Summer Stroll” on Monday, but not because it would have been a boon for area businesses — it did it to show up the back-stabbing broads in “Brooklyn 11223” a show residents believe will give Bay Ridge a bad name.

“We're going to show them this isn't ‘Brooklyn 11223,’” said Chuck Otey, a member of the Third Avenue Merchants Association and longtime proponent for the Stroll, where Third Avenue between 81st and 89th streets will be transformed into an open air “piazza” four Fridays in a row starting July 20.

Otey said the Stroll will help Bay Ridge “take back the night” — as well as its reputation, since the intellectual atmosphere will deter anyone just out to get drunk.

“It's going to be very arts-oriented,” Otey said, describing what he envisions for the piazza, which Community Board 10 approved with a 32-1 vote. “There's going to be opera, there's going to be Shakespeare, and there's not going to be any funny stuff!”

And it's not going to be any fun for Christie Maria Livoti and Joey Lynn Tekulve — two hot-to-trot 20-somethings who are at the center of the Oxygen Network show, where Bay Ridge gets the “Jersey Shore” treatment, Otey explained.

Councilman Vincent Gentile (D-Bay Ridge) and a group of mothers panned the show, which has yet to air, last week, claiming it wrongly portrays Bay Ridge and its residents.

Gentile said approving the Stroll will “send a message” to the Oxygen network.

“We know what Bay Ridge



CULTURE CLASH: Organizers of the Third Avenue “Summer Stroll” say that Joey Lynn Tekulve and Christie Livoti, the stars of the “Jersey Shore” clone “Brooklyn 11223,” won't be interested in all the culture the piazza will offer. Photo by Paul Martinka

is like, but does the family in Montana or Nebraska or Utah know this is not accurate?” Gentile asked CB10 members. “We'll see you out there for summer strolls.”

Yet not everyone is sold on the open air piazzas. Several residents believe the strolls would ramp up the number of area revelers that already smash bottles and urinate on their property after spending the night partying it up at local bars — behavior that Tekulve and Livoti may want to reveal in.

The Merchants of Third Avenue initially wanted to close the avenue between 82nd and 92nd streets on nine Fridays, but tweaked the plan after local business owners rejected it.

Now, the piazza will be smaller and the side streets will be open to traffic with cops acting as crossing guards.

Hero teen dies in Brighton blaze

BY COLIN MIXSON

A Brooklyn teenager died as he attempted to pull residents from a Brighton Beach inferno — moments after he saved the life of his 8-year-old brother.

Jhordan Caballero, 18, was in his Brighton Third Street apartment between Shore Parkway and Neptune Avenue baby-sitting his younger brother, when the fire ignited



LIFE SAVERS: At left, firefighters bring a ladder to a second floor window as they search the burning Brighton Third Street home. At right, one of the Bravest battles billowing smoke at Feb. 24 blaze.

Photos by Paul Martinka



ON THE MOVE: Emergency workers rush a woman to Coney Island Hospital after pulling her from the first floor of the burning building.

Photo by Paul Martinka

on the first floor of the two-story building. After navigating the smoke-filled hallways to lead his brother to safety, Caballero rushed back into the burning building to retrieve a 61-year-old woman on the first floor, where he became trapped by the growing blaze. Officials say the fire was extinguished within 40 minutes — but not before fire-

fighters pulled Caballero and a 61-year-old woman out of the building and rushed them to Coney Island Hospital, where the teen died of his injuries. The female victim was listed in stable condition after treatment, police said. The cause of the fire was not deemed suspicious, but was still under investigation by late Friday.

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It's tattoos for tots!

Temporary ink lets Brooklyn kids look like adults

BY KATE BRIQUELET

Brooklyn parents want the best for their kids — even when it comes to tattoos.

DUMBO designer Tina Roth Eisenberg is on a mission to transform tacky temporary tats into designer accessories, bringing a bit of class to the quarter machine staple with her brand Tattly.

“Temporary tattoos are just part of being a kid,” said Eisenberg, Tattly’s Swiss-born founder and the mastermind behind the design blog Swiss Miss. “Why not have really cool ones instead of crappy ones?”

Thanks to the mom-of-two’s trusty network of graphic designers, children and commitment-wary adults alike are flexing biceps adorned with pop-sicles, mustachioed rocket men, and diamond-crusted boom boxes — all without

going under the needle.

It all started six months ago, when Eisenberg’s 5-year-old daughter, Ella, nettled her mom’s inner typography snob when she came home with a “hideous, sparkly pink and purple” temporary tattoo.

Eisenberg found herself wondering why there weren’t any classier emblems that look real enough for adults, but cute enough for kids.

So she consulted her fellow illustrators, who instantly flooded her inbox with ideas for fresh ink.

The end result is an off-beat assemblage of ink that wouldn’t look out of place on a sunny day on Bedford Avenue; classic cameras and coffee cups by Brooklyn designer Julia Rothman; a swing set and a brown rabbit smoking a pipe by Canadian Marc Johns; and computer cursors and feline



INKED OUT: Five-year-old Ella shows off her new sleeve of pop-sicles and rainbows. But don’t worry, folks — these delightful designer tattoos are only temporary. Photo by Elizabeth Graham

faces by the borough’s Josh Smith.

Tattly took off in flying colors, even getting a nod last month at Borough Pres-

ident Markowitz’s “State of the Borough” address.

Eisenberg dispelled the notion that her faux anchors and hearts might turn tots into future Dennis Rodmans or Kat Von Ds.

Her art is meant as an accessory — especially for adult commitment-phobes.

“I know I will never get a tattoo, but I love my temporary one,” she said. “It all comes down to self expression. You can dye your hair, wear big earrings, or you can get a Tattly.”

Eisenberg’s daughter, who’s become Tattly’s one-kid focus group, agrees.

“They’re pretty,” she Ella, flashing a fake red wristwatch. “We should make one with a beautiful princess swan, with a crown on it.”

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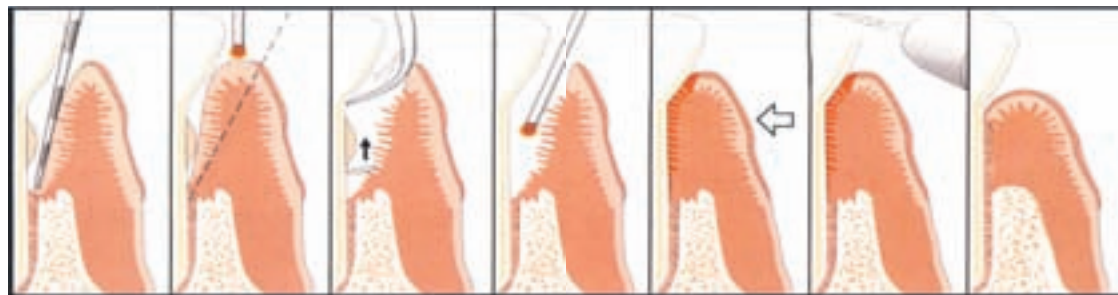
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Senior at war with shul

Outraged neighbor accuses congregants of vandalism

BY COLIN MIXSON

The long-simmering feud between two Holocaust survivors and their synagogue neighbors has led to vandalism, say two elderly residents who claim congregants of a Manhattan Beach prayer house have been acting less-than holy.

The Blums — Isaac, 89, and Rosa, 87 — claim that someone from Congregation Shaarey Torah took a blue marker to their car windows on the night of Friday, Feb. 17 to cover up a story from this paper about the noise complaints the couple has filed against the synagogue and its blaring heating system. The vandal also covered up a letter to synagogue's leader Rabbi Moshe Plutchok, detailing the complaints.

Blum's Honda Civic was parked in front of the synagogue on West End Avenue when it was vandalized, according to the report Blum filed with police.

"It's obvious that somebody didn't like [the article and the letter], and the only people who don't like them are at the shul," said Isaac Blum.

Yet temple-goers say they couldn't be responsible for the marker attack, since



SHUSH SENIOR SHUSHED: Isaac Blum's car window was covered in blue marker on Feb. 17 after he pasted a BrooklynDaily.com article about the neighboring synagogue making too much noise on his window.

Photo by Steve Solomonson

it took place on a Jewish holy day.

"It's against our religion to do something like that during the Sabbath," explained Perry Newman, who has worshipped at Congregation Shaarey Torah for the past 18 years.

The Blums wiped away the scrawlings, but fear further retaliation.

"We are distraught and are afraid something else will happen," said Isaac Blum.

The Blums say their conflict with the temple began four years ago after it installed an air-conditioning system that sounded like a "diesel engine" a few feet from the Blum's bedroom window. The Blums claim they can't sleep when the device is on.

But Newman and other congregants say the synagogue's conflict with the Blums stretches back more than 16 years, when they say the Blums boarded up the synagogue's basement window to stop the congregation's children from tossing trash through the opening and onto a common driveway — a move Plutchok's predecessor, Rabbi Bergstein, OK'd.

"Rabbi Bergstein said to leave it alone, that they were Holocaust survivors and that they'd suffered enough," Newman said.

Congregant Jerry Greenwald said the former labor camp workers are habitual nags.

"Mr. Blum has been complaining regularly from the day he moved in 30 years ago," Greenwald said.

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Kings Plaza tumble-thon

Aviator's young acrobats stage fitness demo at mall

BY SHAVANA ABRUZZO

Kings Plaza shoppers flipped for pint-sized acrobats and kickboxers from Aviator Sports and Events Center on Saturday, tumbling out the "oohs" and "aahs" as sassy jocks staged a dynamic demonstration for the mall's Kings Kids Club.

Sarah Carson, 9, of Aviator Artistic Gymnastics, ran somersaults around the competition, her fabulous floorwork drawing claps and cheers from the lobby crowd. The PS 312 student from Bergen Beach is a level-six achiever at Aviator — after level 10 it's onto the Olympics! — and her aerial wizardry left her number-one fan beaming with pride.

"She is completely passionate about gymnastics!" raved mom Elaine, who added that her pride and joy practices for 12 hours



SPLITS AND FLIPS: Budding Bergen Beach acrobat Sarah Carson, 9, (above) has shoppers at Kings Plaza flipping for her and Events Center. At right, 8-year-old Veronica McNally of Marine Park goes head-over-heels at the event, sponsored by Aviator Sports.



a week to reach such lofty heights.

Marine Park "Mary Lou Retton" Veronica McNally, 8, proved she was also head and shoulders above the rest by executing a wow back walkover.

"It's when you arch your back backwards, kick your legs over and stand up," explained the PS 277 student, who also went head over heels for the applause. "I felt very happy and proud," she admitted shyly.

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Gravesend fire injures one

BY COLIN MIXSON

A blistering fire ripped through a McDonald Avenue home in Gravesend on Feb. 23, leaving an elderly woman with life-threatening injuries — and hoarding may be to blame.

The all-hands blaze erupted shortly after 12:30 pm on the second floor of the building between 86th Street and Avenue W.

But firefighters couldn't get inside: an FDNY spokesman said responding units had to create a path between heaping piles of clutter to get at the elderly woman trapped inside.

The building, they said, had 'Collyer's Mansion' traits — a reference to the infamous Collyer brothers, notorious hoarders who were found dead inside their Harlem brownstone in 1947 amid 130 tons of newspapers, magazines, books, and furniture they had squirreled away throughout their lives.

It took some time for firefighters to find and remove the elderly woman



EMERGENCY AID: Paramedics rush an elderly woman to Coney Island hospital after firefighters pulled her from a fire that raged on the second floor of her McDonald Avenue home last Thursday.

Photo by Paul Martinka

from the burning building. They performed CPR on her in front of dozens of neighbors and rushed her to Coney Island Hospital, where she was listed in serious condition by

the afternoon.

Firefighters put the fire out within a half hour. No other injuries were reported.

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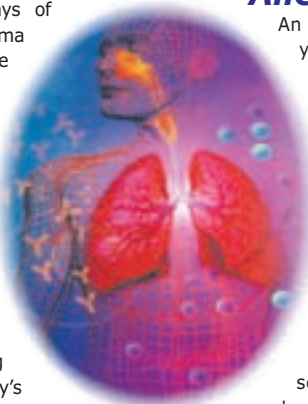
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BERGEN BEACH**Hairy situation**

Cops arrested a man who they said stole hair extensions from a Flatbush Avenue business on Feb. 21.

The victim told police that two men tried to walk out of the store between Flatlands Avenue and Avenue M with the beauty products at 3:45 pm. She tried to stop them, but said that one of them slapped her on the arm, and the duo then ran for it.

Cops arrested the suspect later, charging him with robbery.

Knocked off her feet

Police arrested a 20-year-old man who they said robbed a woman inside of her E. 69th Street apartment on Feb. 21.

The 53-year-old victim told police that she was at her home between 14th and 15th avenues at 4:15 pm when the man pushed her down, and took \$40 and credit cards.

Sprinting

Cops arrested a 26-year-old man who allegedly attacked and robbed an 18-year-old woman inside her Avenue J apartment on Feb. 22.

The victim told police that she was in her home between E. 42nd and E. 43rd streets at 9:30 pm when the suspect made his way inside, punched her in the face, and took her Sprint cellphone.

Ding, dong, ditch

Cops arrested two 19-year-old men who they were part of an E. 53rd Street home invasion on Feb. 25.

The 18-year-old resident told police that three gun-wielding men rang the doorbell of her house between Avenues I and J at 10:30 pm. After she opened the door, the three men shoved their way inside and stole her Sprint cellphone before fleeing in a black Camry.

Cash grab

A goon robbed a woman of her cash on Avenue I on Feb. 25.

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The 26-year-old victim told police that she was near New York Avenue when the thug approached and punched her in the face. The crook then took the wallet containing \$100 out of her hand, cops said.

Home invasion

Cops arrested a 35-year-old man who they claim attacked a 31-year-old woman in her E. 53rd Street home on Feb. 14.

The victim told police that she was in her home between Foster Avenue and Glenwood Road at 8 pm when the suspect made his way inside, threw her to the ground, punched her in the face, and choked her.

Lotion beat-down

Cops arrested a 32-year-old man who allegedly assaulted a 23-year-old woman inside her Avenue N apartment on Feb. 23 — with baby lotion.

The woman told police she was inside her home between E. 34th and E. 35th streets at 9:30 pm when the suspect threw a bottle of baby lotion at her, hitting her in the shoulder.

Chest pain

A thug shot a 36-year-old man on E. 51st Street on Feb. 25.

The victim told police that he was arguing with the man near Avenue M at around 5 am when the creep pulled out a gun and shot him in the chest.

Secure safe

Two would-be thieves attempted to rob a supermarket on Feb. 20 — but were foiled by the grocery store's safe.

The crooks entered the store between Avenues K and L through the front gate at

5:20 am, but fled empty-handed after failing to open the safe, cops said.

Car crook

A thief snagged a 34-year-old man's ride left parked on E. 35th Street on Feb. 23.

The victim told police that he left his 1997 Nissan Maxima near Avenue I at 8 pm, and returned later to find it missing.

— *Colin Mixson*

70TH PRECINCT

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Knifepoint mugging

Police arrested a man who they said swiped a car off of Atlantic Avenue in Clinton Hill — then went on a robbery spree on Bedford Avenue in Flatbush on Feb. 25.

Witnesses told police that the knife-wielding suspect targeted at least three victims between 10:45 and 11:18 am near Farragut Road. Each time, the thief would allegedly approach, flash a knife, and demand their property.

Cops later arrested a suspect, charging them with robbery in the first degree.

iPhone swipe

A thief snagged an iPhone 4S from a man riding a Coney Island-bound Q train through Flatbush on Feb. 25.

The victim told police that his train was nearing the Church Avenue station at 3:35 pm when the suspect snagged the phone from his hand and ran off with it.

Attacked on E. 19th

Police arrested a 46-year-old man who

they said attacked a 68-year-old man during a fracas inside an E. 19th Street apartment — sending the man to the hospital.

Witnesses said the two were arguing near Tennis Court at 5 pm when the young man began punching and kicking his victim, leaving him with serious injuries.

61ST PRECINCTSHEEPSHEAD BAY-GRAVESEND-MANHATTAN
BEACH-HOMECREST**Attacked on Nostrand**

Cops arrested a 32-year-old man who they say is responsible for a brutal attack on Nostrand Avenue on Feb. 23.

Witnesses said the two were yelling at each other near Avenue W at 2:29 am when the brute flashed a knife and stabbed his opponent in the chest — causing a deep enough wound that required surgery.

Cops arrested a suspect, charging him with assault in the first degree.

Warrant wannabees

Two men were arrested this week for pretending to be members of the NYPD Warrants Squad and raiding an E. 14th Street home on Feb. 22, according to cops.

Police were told that the suspects knocked on the victim's door near Gravesend Neck Road at noon. When he opened the door, they identified themselves as Warrant Squad officers, and demanded entry. The suspects came in, allegedly handcuffed the man, and ran off with his property.

Two bagged

A pair of would-be shoplifters were arrested on Feb. 25 after they tried to leave a Kings Highway store with more than \$1,000 worth of property, say cops.

Police said that the suspects were stopped coming out of the Duane Reade near E. 14th Street when workers realized that they had 84 make-up items, four baby wash lotions, and three Soho makeup bags.

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Court sets congressional redistricting deadline

A Brooklyn federal court judge is ordering Washington to outline its new congressional districts by March 12.

The decision came on Tuesday, after political watchdogs filed a lawsuit against congressional leaders for failing to redraw the district maps in accordance to population numbers generated in the 2010 census.

Voters are expected to go to the polls on June 26 to vote for a new, earlier primary day, but the plaintiffs say no one knows just what district they belong in, since census results force the lines to change.

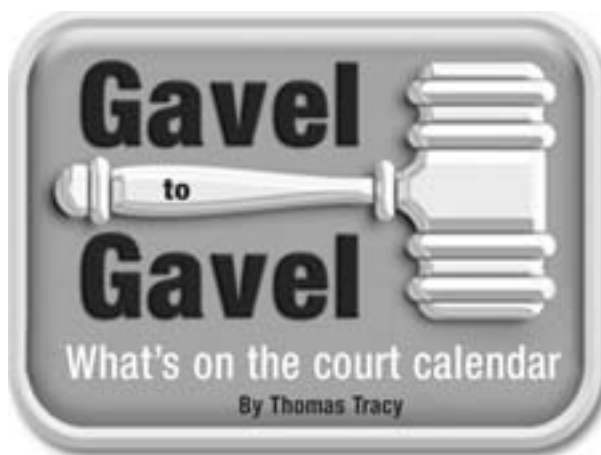
"The three-judge panel that rendered the decision in Brooklyn federal court appreciates the urgency of the situation, which is caused basically by the failure of the political branches to do their job," Richard Mancino, the plaintiffs' leading attorney, told reporters.

Once the new lines are outlined on March 12, a public hearing will take place three days later. The lines will be finalized on March 20, the judges ruled.

This is not the first time Brooklyn federal judges had to intervene on the controversial redistricting issue. Last month, Judge Dora Irizarry, citing legislators' "current state of inaction" in redrawing state Senate and Assembly lines, ordered a special master to oversee the redistricting lines in New York state.

Irizarry claimed it was time for the federal courts to take charge of the situation.

"No congressional lines have been proposed through New York's legislative process, much less adopted, even though the petitioning period is less than six weeks away," Irizarry mentioned in her five-page decision, which claimed that "in 1992 and 2002, the New York State Legisla-



ture acted only after there was judicial intervention."

Irizarry's ruling was in response to a lawsuit by a group of civic leaders who claimed that the redistricting process in both the Assembly and the state Senate was too partisan to be trusted.

In Brooklyn, the Republican-led state Senate booted state Sen. Eric Adams out of his district, and erased disgraced state Sen. Carl Kruger's district from the map.

Attorneys for the plaintiffs hailed Irizarry's decision.

In for the long haul

It's been two weeks since the start of the assault

trial against Daniel Golden, the nephew of State Sen. Marty Golden — and this trial won't be ending anytime soon.

Two weeks in, officials from Brooklyn District Attorney Charles Hynes's office say that they have yet to rest their case in the multi-defendant trial involving at least two juries.

"We will definitely be doing battle over the next month," said attorney Arthur Aidala, who is representing Daniel Golden. "There are a lot of witnesses and a very professional career prosecutor [is handling the case]."

Daniel Golden, three of his cousins, and another friend were all arrested for participating in the April 10, 2010 brawl, but they will be tried in separate courtrooms.

Aidala would not comment on his defense strategy, claiming that he is still preparing it. The jury was being finalized on Tuesday, he said.

"[The prosecutor is] still turning evidence over to us," Aidala explained. "I'll be up writing my opening statement until [the morning of trial]."

Hynes refused to touch the case, handing it over to a Queens special prosecutor. State Sen. Golden (R-Bay Ridge) was not involved in the fight, but the fact that the defendant is related to a borough legislator created a conflict of interest, a Hynes spokesman said.

Prosecutors allege that Daniel Golden and his cousins, Kevin Crowley, Michael Crowley, and John DeCarlo, with Peter Jung, who is unrelated, got into a ferocious 2:40 am brawl at the Kettle Black on Third Avenue.



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Nazareth High fights to stay open

BY ELI ROSENBERG

Cash-strapped Nazareth High School administrators spent last week's spring break raising some desperately needed funds in their last ditch effort to save their beloved school from closing — but the school has a long road ahead of it if it wants to pay the multi-million dollar debt it's facing.

"We're feeling optimistic, but we're still financially in a hole," said Nancy Roberts, a guidance counselor at the 50-year-old Flatbush school who is leading a "save the school" campaign to meet its tab to the Brooklyn Diocese.

Two well-off alumni reportedly pledged to donate \$3 million apiece to bail out the school, but the big bucks have yet to come in, Roberts said.



PRAYING FOR HELP: Stewart Granger, a former Knicks basketball player and Nazareth graduate, and the boys hoops team are upset that the school is set to close at the end of June. Photo by Stefano Giovannini

"We've had some donations, and we have a lot of alumni support, but we have not had any big donations come through," she said.

Nazareth's declining

enrollment — from 602 students in 2006 to 311 this year — has been a major factor in the Board of Trustees' decision to bolt the school for good, yet Roberts said the school's enrollment is on the upswing.

Providencia Quiles, Nazareth's new principal, has increased tuition by 15 percent in her second year, and this year's freshman class is bigger than last, Roberts explained.

"When [Principal Quiles] was hired she told the board it was going to take three to five years to turn it around," said Roberts.

"This is her first freshman class and it's greater than the year before."

The final showdown could come down to "dollars and cents," Quiles told



PREPARING TO SHUT DOWN: Officials have decided to close 50-year-old Nazareth High School in Flatbush, citing declining enrollment and financial trouble. Photo by Paul Martinka

our sister publication, the New York Post.

Nazareth alumni, which includes Hollywood actor William Forsythe and former Knicks player Stewart Granger, continued to protest the slated closure, arguing that the school was more important than its debt.

"It's a very good high school," said Granger, Class of 1979. "If you try to take that away because of a financial problem, it hurts the community."

Nazareth graduates 98 percent of its students and 96 percent go on to college, but the impressive numbers haven't swayed

the diocese, which has yet to comment on the matter, short of referring questions to the school's Board of Trustees, whose chairwoman Alice Hession didn't return calls for comment.

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Coney YMCA to open next year

Markowitz, dignitaries hail its construction

BY DANIEL BUSH

Coney Island's under-construction YMCA will open its doors in the fall of 2013.

The sports and community center rising on Surf Avenue at W. 29th Street is on schedule to open by the start of the next school year, according to neighborhood boosters who gathered at the legendary People's Playground restaurant Gargiulo's last week to drum up excitement for the \$16-million project.

"We are getting closer to realizing our vision for a state-of-the-art YMCA," said Jack Lund, the president and CEO of the YMCA of Greater of New York.

"It's our hope that the new Y becomes a one-stop destination for Coney Islanders to get fit, healthy, and most of all, connected with their neighbors."

The two-story building will feature a gym, pool, yoga studios, and space for art classes, community meetings and other events.

The YMCA will anchor a complex called Coney Island Commons that will include two apartment towers with 196 rental units — 75 percent of which will be set aside for low and middle-income families — and a 80-space parking lot.

The mixed-use development is part of the city's larger effort to transform the area into a year-round tourist destination with hotels, new amusement rides and up to 5,000 apartments for residents that officials say will create thousands of permanent jobs — including approximately 100 full-time positions at the YMCA.

"The new YMCA in Coney Island Commons will provide a much-needed recreational and community facility as well as 100 jobs," said Councilman Domenic Recchia (D-Coney Island).



Y-NOT: Borough President Markowitz and Jack Lund, of the YMCA of Greater New York, gave an update report on the Coney Y, which is slated to open in the fall of 2013. Photo by Steve Solomonson



JOBS AND RECREATION: A rendering of the under-construction YMCA in Coney Island will feature a pool and offer jobs for 100 people. Courtesy of the YMCA



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Grimm

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ture, where deep-pocketed companies reward a politician's assistance with campaign donations, or shower a political candidate with contributions to ensure that the lawmaker will help them in the future.

But Grimm said he sees nothing wrong with accepting donations from Williams Companies and National Grid.

"That's the way it's supposed to work," Grimm said. "People are going to donate if they think I'm doing a good job."

Political watchdog groups were astonished that the legislator made no qualms about his quid-pro-quo relationship with the two energy companies.

"It's outrageous for a sitting member of Congress to acknowledge so directly that he accepts contributions from individuals because this is how government is supposed to work," said Dick Dadey, the executive director of Citizens Union. "To give the impression that he responds to those who give gifts to his campaign just shows how in bed he is with the pay-to-play culture."

Meredith McGehee, the policy director of the Campaign Legal Center, said the Williams Companies and National Grid donations, "show the influence of contributors, at a minimum, to buy access to [politicians]."

The pipeline would increase National Grid's gas output to Brooklyn and Queens by 10 percent — allowing the company to grow its 1.2 million customer base in the two boroughs and reap a potential multi-million dol-

lar windfall in the process.

National Grid spokeswoman Karen Young wouldn't say exactly how much money the new pipeline will bring in for the company, which earned \$800 million in the first half of last year alone.

But she defended the company's contribution, claiming that Grimm was one of a number of elected officials National Grid gave money to in New York last year. National Grid also donated to the campaigns to re-elect Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand (D-New York) and Rep. Ed Towns (D-Fort Greene), records show.

"[The contributions are] a way for our employees to be involved in the political process and make a difference in the communities in which we live and work," Young said.

Williams Companies will profit off the pipeline by charging National Grid for taking the gas from its massive Atlantic Ocean supply line, according to company spokesman Chris Stockton, who wouldn't provide further details.

But Stockton also denied that company's donation to Grimm had anything to do with the bill he sponsored, saying it was based solely on his two-year track record in Congress.

"We never make a contribution with the expectation that it will lead to favors or otherwise favorable treatment," Stockton said.

The multi-billion dollar company also donated campaign cash to Gillibrand, as well as Rep. Steve Israel (D-Long Island) and dozens of other lawmakers from around the country last year.

Grimm proposed building the pipeline — which requires federal approval

since it would run through the Gateway National Recreation Area, the borough's only national park — last July. The House approved Grimm's bill earlier this month.

The Senate has yet to schedule a vote on the bill since it must first be approved by the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, where the law is under review, a senate spokesman said.

Once the pipeline is given the green light, contractors will rip up Flatbush Avenue from Avenue U to a proposed meter station in an existing hangar at Floyd Bennett Field — an urban oasis used by birders, sports teams and campers.

The Bloomberg administration is backing the project because the pipeline would help the city meet its goal of making its energy supply cleaner and cheaper by 2030 and allow more buildings to switch from fuel oil to natural gas.

Grimm said the pipeline would be an economic boon for Brooklyn by creating 300 new jobs.

"This was something that was a priority for me from day one," Grimm said. "It's going to be very good for the community."

Grimm has suffered through a string of controversies this month, including the hiring of Fran Vella-Marrone, a scandal-scarred activist accused of committing an ethics violation by getting her husband a patronage job that ultimately led to the death of a 17-year-old girl. He's also been accused of accepting illegal campaign contributions in 2010, and covering up his connection to a former business partner who spent 18 months in prison.

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Greenpoint mom has healthy baby girl in back of taxi

BY AARON SHORT

This birth puts the livery in delivery.

Activist Beka Economopoulos gave birth in the backseat of a cab to a healthy baby girl on Tuesday, two blocks from the Greenpoint home she shares with her husband, Jason Jones.

Economopoulos, founder of the arts collective Not an Alternative and an Occupy Williamsburg participant, was expecting to give birth in two weeks, but she began to have contractions at 5:30 pm at her Newel Street home during a video team meeting with other Occupy protesters.

The demonstrators played the role of doula as best as they could as Economopoulos went into labor.

About 45 minutes later, Jones called a cab — but the taxi never made it to the hospital.

Economopoulos's husband and a midwife squeezed her hips to help with the pain, but that didn't work.

"I said, no, don't squeeze, pull my pants down, there's a head there," she said.

The cab driver got out of his car at Greenpoint Avenue and waved orange flags directing traffic until two ambulances and six police cars arrived at the scene.

"I didn't even push it just came out," Economopoulos said in a video posted on YouTube titled "Occupy Baby." "I thought I had a poop and then there was a head. Jason caught the baby!"

Fire Department paramedics cleaned the baby, put Economopoulos on a stretcher, placed her in an ambulance, cut the baby's umbilical cord, and drove to Bellevue Hospital as Jones filmed the whole thing.

"We had it in the cab," said Jones. "She's totally fine. We're here in the hospital. I caught it in the cab."

Later that night, Economopoulos posted on her Facebook page, "Well that was unexpected. Baby came 2 wks early, labor was a little more

than an hour from start to finish. Jason delivered her in the back of a cab. We only got 2 blocks from the house! Everyone's healthy and happy. Thx for the well wishes!"

Friends said that the story of their birth is "completely fitting."

"Anyone who knows Beka, and has seen her in action as an organizer, is not surprised by her amazing calm, aplomb, and lucidity while she does the miraculous," said Williamsburg resident Cynthia Walker, a fellow parent.

And city Taxi and Limousine Commissioner David Yassky offered his blessing.

"There's something so special about being born in Brooklyn that this beautiful young lady just couldn't wait to be here!" said Yassky.

The protesting power couple named the baby Mila Amie Economopoulos Jones and are now back in Greenpoint celebrating their new family.



Beka Economopoulos and Jason Jones hold their baby, Mila Amie Economopoulos Jones. Photo courtesy of Aristide Economopoulos

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It's a dog's life for the captive canines

To the editor,

You reported a very sad story that I have known about for more than six years ("Dog days over," Feb. 23). What I did not know was that there was no heat, electricity or running water!

For me and the other rescuers who reported the house on Avenue Y, it was horrific enough that the dogs were being held captive without light of day or human contact. I agonized over my inability to bring action on their behalf. Fortunately, they will now have a chance at life, but why did it take so long? I was able to rescue three full grown Shelties and four puppies from the house some years ago.

Name withheld upon request

Ferry good

To the editor,

"Ferries: Dead In The Water?" (Op-Ed, Feb. 24) isn't necessarily true. Consider the new East River ferry now into its eighth month of service. This route connects a number of neighborhoods on the East River from Queens to Manhattan and Brooklyn.

Our waterways are an under-utilized natural asset which can offer significant transportation alternatives for thousands of New Yorkers. Most of our existing public transportation and roadways are already operating at or above capacity. New ferry services can be implemented far more quickly than construction of new subway, commuter rail or highways. These can take years or even decades by the time you complete environmental reviews, planning, design, engineering, real estate acquisition, permits, procurements and actual construction before reaching beneficial use.

Completing all of the above, along with finding funding for ferry boats, docks and parking with costs in the millions, may be easier than finding the billions of dollars necessary for construction of new or extended subway, commuter rail or high-

ways. Utilization of ferry boats makes a positive contribution to air quality. These new East River ferry commuters have joined the 66,000 daily Staten Island ferry riders in enjoying the fresh air and breeze that only waterborne transportation can provide.

Thousands of other Brooklyn residents from Canarsie, Sheepshead Bay and Bay Ridge, if given the opportunity, would also consider utilizing ferry services.

Larry Penner
Great Neck, N.Y.

Super Stan

To the editor,

Stanley Gershbein, I just wanted you to know that the first thing I do when I pick up this newspaper is to read your column (It's Only My Opinion), then I read Joanna DelBuono's (Not for Nuthin').

You never fail to disappoint me! You are on the money every time. Thank you for voicing an opinion for me, too. Please keep it going. God bless you.

Beatrice Matias
Midwood

Topical Shav

To the editor,

Great column, Shavana Abruzzo ("Our troops are heroes — not zeroes," A Britisher's View," Feb. 16)! Exactly how I feel. For years I have personally boycotted all professional sports, for the same basic reasons expressed in your column.

Paul G. Knox

The writer is a retired lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Army.

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To the editor,

Shavana Abruzzo (A Britisher's View) has brought up a topic that my friends and I have wondered about.

Why has there not been a parade down the Canyon of Heroes for the true heroes, without whom we wouldn't have so many blessings, including professional football?

I sometimes wonder about how skewed our priorities have become. Do we have to wait for an okay from Washington? What's the deal here?

Thank you for Abruzzo's honesty and putting forth topics which must be considered by all of us.

Deborah Matlack
Bay Ridge

Jo-Jo's lesson

To the editor,

Congratulations to all who wrote in response to Joanna DelBuono's rantings

against teachers ("Tenure Schmenur, something's gotta give," Not for Nuthin', Feb. 8).

I taught for 22 years in the most wonderful and rewarding profession in the city. It was my dream and it came true after many years in private sector jobs, all of which I thoroughly enjoyed.

However, teaching was the most fulfilling profession of all, until our illustrious mayor decided teachers were the devil's employees. I retired three years ago, but I still miss my kids (yes "my kids") while I do not miss the constant feelings of stress and frustration of my last years in the system. It is funny that "in the system" also describes being in prison.

I talk to teachers all over the city and the general consensus of opinion is that they can't wait to get out. They feel they can no longer be the best they can be with all the pressure.

Let's stop the teacher-bashing and see what we can do to help the deteriorating situation in our schools.

Tony Merlino
Gravesend

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To the editor

I met my former elementary school-teacher just before I began teaching in city schools. She reminded me that a teacher is only as good as the material they have to work with.

Teachers who were rated well on the latest reports should congratulate themselves. In fact, all teachers should pat themselves on the back for doing a job which society has come not to appreciate.

As for the highly rated teachers, many of them will be called to the principal's office in June and lauded again for their achievement. They will be told that they will be getting a class of challenged learners in September as they can handle it.

Years ago I worked with a colleague whose classes consistently did well on standardized tests. The principal told him that he was being assigned to special education classes in the fall. The magic suddenly wore off. The teacher was judged not as good and by November of that year, he filed his retirement papers.

Ed Greenspan
Sheepshead Bay

NYPD blues

To the editor,

There are some people — Muslims and non-Muslims alike — who feel as though their rights are being violated because they are being watched by the NYPD. What about everyone else's rights, such

as our right to be safe and protected from terrorist attacks?

Sorry if you feel that way, but if you have nothing to hide, you have nothing to fear. One word more: tough!

Ernesto Cavalier
Midwood

F-Rick-in' GOP

To the editor,

Rick Santorum has finally showed his true colors. He is not interested in doing what is right in his conscience or for the people. He is interested in doing whatever the other Republicans want. He said so in the latest GOP debate. He stated that he knew the No Child Left Behind law was wrong and did not meet his beliefs, but he felt it right to join the ranks of the other Republicans and go along with whatever George W. Bush wanted.

Is this really the kind of president you want in office? One who will not rule by his conscience or by the needs of the people, but what the other members of the GOP want? Not me.

California again voted against the single payer option. Why did it fail? All of the Republicans voted against it. All but six of the Democrats voted for it. Of the six, two voted against it and the other four abstained. Here's the kicker — of the six, five received between \$100,000 and \$250,000 from insurance companies. In other words, they accepted bribes. It doesn't matter if it came from the companies or lobbyists, a bribe is a bribe.

All people must interrogate all candidates to make sure they do not believe in voting along party lines for the sake of joining ranks. If they do not believe in voting for the betterment of the people and society, they are not wanted. Lobbying with money must be outlawed.

Ronald Cohen
Gravesend

Gang truce

To the editor,

Of all the touching tributes to Whitney Houston, the one that really touched me the most was the one by the gang leaders in Newark. They called for a day of non-violence, no shootings, no robberies, no car-jackings to honor the late singer.

These are true leaders, wonderful human beings with hearts of gold who know how to respect others and express their love for a music icon, bless their hearts. Well, I guess it's back to regular business after the burial.

Maureen Parker
Homecrest

LET US HEAR FROM YOU

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Stan on the good, bad, and ugly of technology

Every so often we hear about an artist stopping midway through a show because someone in the audience forgot to silence his cellphone. The ringing interrupts the show and annoys everyone. We saw this happen last year at a Paul Anka concert. Anka, the consummate performer that he is, brought the house down when he approached the woman talking to her friend on the phone. He politely took the phone and began a conversation.

“Hello. This is me. Yes. I am Paul Anka. You don’t believe that you are talking to Paul? I’ll prove it to you.”

He then sang to her, returned the phone to the woman in the audience, and received a great big standing ovation. Now that’s class.

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Last month, conductor Alan Gilbert stopped a performance by the New York Philharmonic because a phone kept ringing and ringing with a Latin beat ringtone.

After the boos directed at the phone’s owner died down, Mr. Gilbert added his own heckle, “Are you finished?”

Another standing-o.

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A very different kind of reply came from Billy Crystal during his one man show on Broadway several years ago. One night, after the curtain rose for bows, Crystal walked out on stage and said the following to the hushed listeners:

“Ladies and gentlemen, you’ve been a great audience except we had 12 cellphones go off. So, for the 12 of you who may have ruined it for these other people, when you go to the theater, you should turn off your cellphone, leave it at home, or stick it up your a-.”

This was met with cheers and whistles and the biggest standing ovation the star has ever received.

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I can’t remember the last time I heard a cellphone ringing in a movie theatre. I hear babies crying, yentas jabbering away as if they were sitting in their own living rooms, and the cracking,



IT’S ONLY MY OPINION

Stanley P. Gershbein

snapping sounds of chewing gum, but no cellphones. Are theatres using cellphone jammers? It is against the law to operate, manufacture, import, or offer these devices for sale and breaking the law is punishable by a fine of up to \$11,000 and imprisonment of up to a year in the can?

So are the theatres doing what they shouldn’t do, or are moviegoers become better mannered? What do you think?

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Forget the iPhone and iPad, the two most useful inventions are caller ID and the back scratcher. The caller ID goes way back to when my roommate’s identity was stolen — and identity theft is as bad as everyone says it is. After several weeks of notifying everyone we’ve ever done business with, the collection agencies entered our lives. They start with polite letters. Then come threatening letters. Then telephone calls. That’s where caller ID comes in. If Carol or I do not recognize the name on the tiny screen, we don’t pick up. God bless the inventor.

Now to the back scratcher: that 15- to 18-inch piece of wood with the small hand at one end. Right, now you are asking “Why does Gershbein consider that one of the best inventions of all time?”

I am StanGershbein@Bellsouth.net answering, if you ever had an itch on your back in a spot that you couldn’t reach, you would know why.

Media warriors ‘press’ on — until death

They battle dictatorships on the front lines and take incalculable risks in volatile wastelands to alert us to human tragedy, using the most impenetrable weapons on earth: words and cameras.

More than 900 journalists and photographers around the world have died on the job since 1992, some targeted, others silenced because they were in the wrong place at the wrong time, but all of them brave freedom fighters for surrendering their lives to report on calamities, and expose and bring to justice the world’s deadliest regimes.

American war correspondent Marie Colvin, French photographer Rémi Ochlik, and Syrian video blogger Rami al-Sayed became the latest media fatalities of the withering Arab Spring last week when Syrian security forces bombed the besieged city of Homs, killing hundreds of people in one of the deadliest campaigns of civilian strong-arming by President Bashar al-Assad.

Their murders bring the year-old rebellion’s media death toll to 21, and come five days after New York Times reporter Anthony Shadid, a two-time Pulitzer Prize-winner, suffered a fatal asthma attack covering the crisis near the Turkish border.

Colvin, 55, Ochlik, 28, al-Sayed,



A BRITISHER’S VIEW

Shavana Abruzzo

26, and Shadid, 43, reported their staggeringly difficult stories under unbearable circumstances and amid hazards that cannot be exaggerated. Their vital work exalts them as the best of the Fourth Estate, and they will be immortalized accordingly in the Journalists Memorial in Washington, DC, alongside the 2,084 media members from around the world who have died reporting the news.

Colvin’s final dispatches scream of her life-and-death struggle to share the appalling truth as it unfolded — terrifyingly — before her.

“I watched a little baby die today, absolutely horrific, just a 2-year-old been hit, they stripped it and found the shrapnel had gone into the left chest. The doctor just said, ‘I can’t do anything.’ His little tummy just kept heaving until he died. That is happening over and over and over,” she informed the BBC shortly before a rocket blasted her makeshift media tent into smithereens.

Ochlik’s career was brief, but brilliant. He visited Haiti in 2004 while

still a student to capture the fall of then-President Jean-Bertrand Aristide, winning a prize for his efforts. He also co-founded a press agency to cover global conflicts, and his evocative photographs of atrocities and disasters in

the Caribbean and Africa are lasting portraits of immeasurable human strife.

Al-Sayed distinguished himself as one of the first activists to dodge sniper bullets and film the torment in Syria, keeping his camera rolling until the bitter end. His final, heart-numbing clip shows friends weeping over his dead body.

Shadid, the embodiment of titanium fortitude, survived bullets, kidnapping and torture to put a face on the brutal facts: in an Aug. 20 article about casualties of the Iraq War, he tells of a mother identifying her son: “Reflexively, her hands slapped her face. They clawed, until her nails drew blood. ‘If I had only known from the first day!’ she cried,” he writes.

Words and cameras are the only enduring weapons in the war against inhumanity. Valiant press warriors who use their last breaths to uncover the truth deserve the highest honors because without them there is no freedom — or democracy.

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Jo’s got her finger on the pulse of ABC

I guess ABC was listening. Last year I begged the beleaguered network to bring back Billy Crystal as host of the Oscars, and guess what? There he was singing and dancing (well, singing) to my delight on Sunday night. So I guess this proves it (as Sally Field would say: “They read me, they really, read me!”).

Anyway, Billy made the night a memorable one, his opening movie montage, as usual, was clever, clean, and classy, not bad for the three “C’s.” Billy Crystal knows how to MC Hollywood’s biggest night — just a little bit of this and a little bit of that, and all with tongue-in-cheek. If I had one complaint, it was that the music was a bit too loud and it tended to over-shadow his lyrics, then again, it could have been the sound on my old dinosaur TV, but all in all it was a great opening performance. Besides how can you go wrong when you have George Clooney kissing Billy or anyone else for that matter.

Last year, the Oscar for best movie was awarded to an English flick, “The King’s Speech,” with Colin Firth, this year’s best movie nod went to a French offering, “The Artist,” a black-and-white, silent movie about love, pride, and the fickle finger of filmdom. Hey, maybe next year it will be one of ours



NOT FOR NUTHIN’

Joanna DelBuono

— you never know.

But enough about movies — let’s get to the couture of the night: the red-carpet fashions:

My number one choice was the Marchesa number worn by Stacy Keibler, liquid gold at its best; next was Penelope Cruz, stunning and classy as always in a very Hollywood glam Armani Prive gown; Natalie Portman in a 1954 Dior polka dot strapless, outré retro, outré cute; Michelle Williams in the very coral Louis Vuitton gown with the stylish

peplum; and, last but not least, Octavia Spencer in the Shoji beaded number that fit her like a glove and took advantage of her very best curves.

Ladies that should have looked in the mirror before they left the house included J-Lo in a dress that really didn’t flatter anything at all (even with the non-malfunction); Tina Fey in basic black with a peplum that shouldn’t have been there; Rooney Mara, the girl of Dragon Tattoo fame would have been better served in a full-length tattoo, the unflattering white lace dust cloth she wore did little; Melissa McCarthy, who said she designed her own frock, should stick to comedy and leave couture to the experts; sadly, Sandra Bullock’s dress — let’s just say far too unstructured.

Last on the “What were they thinking” list was Emma Stone, I like her. She’s cute and appealing. But the outfit with the big bow at the neck clashed with her hair and made her head look like a loosely tied package, barely attached to the rest of her.

Not for Nuthin™, thank you ABC for bringing Billy back. I was actually able to stay awake for the whole show this year. But for next year, stick to your guns, don’t invite Sacha Baron Cohen, AKA “The Dictator” — he’s really not funny.

Carmines shocked by Con Ed's behavior

I'm madder than a pack of negative ions over the way Con Edison treats some of the customers it's had for more than two decades!

Look, you all know the Screecher is never happy when public utilities — with whom some of us trust our lives — treat the customers who grant them the privilege of providing vital services like electric, gas and, of course, cable television, like dirt. So when I hear that a behemoth like Con Edison isn't playing nice, I shout it from the hilltops (or at least the roof of the Harway Terrace).

I've got a pal who's had a tough time with Con Ed since the hurricane hit, and he told his horror story to me so I can share it with you. So here goes:

To make a long story endless, Con Ed had to come to his house to fix a frayed wire that was about to fall from the house in the wake of Hurricane Irene, way back in the summer. Well, it took workers a few weeks to get there, and when they finally did, some guy drilled a post into my buddy's roof to connect the new wire. Of course, this was against protocol, and would certainly cause a leak into the



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Carmine Santa Maria

next time it rained.

My pal called Con Ed, expecting them to send someone right over to fix the problem its workers caused. But Con Ed refused to, demanding that he bring in a contractor to do the job. Don't worry, the reps at Con Ed told him, the company will pay him back for the work, because the damage was its fault.

Against his better judgement, he got three estimates, and two of

them were over a \$1,000. He settled on a guy that said he would do the whole job — patch the roof and re-attach the electric — for \$250. A bargain, right?

He laid out the cash, and filled out all the paperwork Con Ed required to get his money back. But you know what he got? You guessed it, bupkis!

Sure, every time he calls Con Ed he wastes about 45 minutes on the phone, and is promised his money is coming. But it never comes.

So what did he do to solve the problem? You guessed it again! He took it out of his bill. So now, whenever he gets a bill, he minuses the \$250 Con Ed owes him, and pays the balance. Now you know and I know that makes perfect sense, because he's already laid out the cash, and I don't need to tell you that money doesn't grow on trees.

Con Ed's answer to this? Well, not so nice. Instead of simply sending him the check or — heaven forbid — crediting his account, he keeps getting angry letters saying his power is going to be shut off.

All because he hasn't paid the \$250 Con Ed owes him! How do you like that?

If you ask me, things should

never have gotten this far. Con Ed should have just fixed the problem itself. Then it wouldn't be in this mess. His next step is to call the Public Service Commission which should get some action.

I hope.

Speaking of public service, now's the point in the column where I make a left turn out of know where and talk about a true humanitarian, Eddie Mark.

Look, you all know that Eddie is the chairman of Community Board 13 in Coney Island, and that he works hard to bring all our neighborhoods together as one community. He's the guy who organized a Conversational Classroom on the Boardwalk with students in the summertime, and he's the one who brings civic leaders to a Breakfast Network meeting every year to get them to understand what is happening in the neighborhoods. He even brings his community board meetings to different locations to make sure residents have one close to their houses.

Eddie volunteers at Kaiser Park, assists the 60th Precinct Community Council, helps out with Shorefront Young Democrats with recruitment drives, and vol-

unteers as a member of CB13 Community Emergency Response Team. On top of that, he volunteers at community events such as Salt and Sea Mission's Thanksgiving Dinners, Coney Island Clean-ups, and Coney Island generation Gap Soapbox Derby Race.

Look, Eddie's worked at Astella Development as a housing specialist, he helped organize homeowners associations, community and commercial events, and help publish Astella's newsletter.

A tireless worker in the community since 1989, he realized that Coney Island was the place to be and purchased a house on West 19th Street in 1995.

Best of all, Eddie Mark was not missed a Bensonhurst West End Community Council meeting — my meetings — since we moved our meeting place to Harway Terrace located in Community Board 13.

So join us at the El Caribe on March 22, when we honor Eddie Mark as Humanitarian of the Year — and his equally distinguished and deserving co-honorees. E-mail me at Diegovega@aol.com for reservation information.

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Great eyeglasses at low prices at Eyeglass Direct

By *Camille Sperrazza*

You don't have to pay top dollar for eyeglasses.

Eyeglass Direct offers high-quality, deeply discounted priced eyeglasses, created by experienced technicians. So what kind of pricing are we talking about?

"You can get a complete pair of glasses — frames and lenses — for as low as \$28," says Randy Appelbaum, optician and owner. "And you get the same high-quality lenses and service you would get at any other quality vision center."

How is such pricing possible? It's really just good business sense.

"We buy smart; we buy a lot; and we get good prices from the manufacturers. We pass these along to our customers," says Appelbaum.

The optician knows his business. He has 30 years experience in the field. He owned and operated stores in Manhattan; then decided to give up these storefronts and move online.

"I started the company in the basement of my house seven years ago," says Appelbaum. In just a short time, the tiny operation grew to a full manufacturing facility which is now located on Avenue N. This location is also a showroom where people

can come in and try on frames, selecting a style that compliments their facial structures.

Eyeglass Direct has many happy customers. And they are not just local. They are from all over the world.

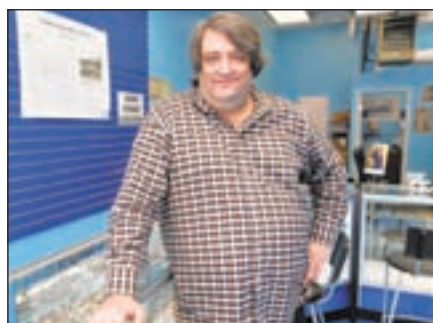
"We have nearly 30,000 customers today, and growing," says Appelbaum. Many are recommended by other happy customers. The business has also been featured in publications such as Smart Money Magazine and Time Out Chicago. It's also appeared on Fox 5 News, just to name a few, he says.

Just because glasses are offered at "unbelievable prices," rest assured that they are quality products, says Appelbaum.

When you purchase a pair of glasses, the company provides anti-scratch protection, ultraviolet filter, polished lens edges, and a high-quality eyeglass case and cleaning cloth, he says.

Eyeglass Direct guarantees that your lens prescription is correctly filled. Each pair is inspected by a licensed optician to be sure the prescription is correct. The frames carry a one-year warranty against manufacturer's defects. They make sure that the frames are properly aligned.

Eyeglass Direct is also well aware that



Owner and optician Randy Appelbaum has 30 years experience in the field, and has owned and operated stores in Manhattan.

glasses are more than just a device to help you see. They make fashion statements. That's why it offers selections that define "the shape of your face, your coloring...and that best complement your hair, eyes, and skin tones."

For example, make a statement when you wear Transitions Lenses, which can eliminate the need for sunglasses. These lenses are clear indoors and get darker when they are exposed to outside light. They are so convenient, and look fabulous.

Standard bifocal and no-line progressive lenses are also available. Major lens brands such as Varilux, H-D, Zeiss, and Seiko are carried, as is Crizal anti-glare coating.

If you tend to forget whether you're nearsighted or farsighted, remember this: People who are nearsighted cannot see objects that are far away. These items appear blurry. Yet, they can see objects up close. On the other hand, individuals who are farsighted can see objects that are far away clearly, but have difficulty seeing things up close.

As people age, they often develop the need for reading glasses. This is because of a condition called Presbyopia, says Appelbaum.

"The natural crystalline lens of the eye loses some of its ability to change shape in order to focus on near objects." So if you have trouble reading this article, visit Eyeglass Direct, and they'll fit you with a pair of reading glasses that will open you up to the world of reading once again.

Eyeglass Direct offers "contemporary eyewear at factory direct prices," says Appelbaum. Credit cards are accepted, as are flexible spending credit cards.

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FERRIES: DEAD IN THE WATER?



At his State of the Borough address, Borough President Markowitz said he wants to expand ferry service along the East River to Southern Brooklyn. Yet the city says expanding the ferry service would be too costly. We asked two Southern Brooklyn community leaders to weigh in on the feasibility and practicality of the proposal.

Figure out parking before we set sail

I was a member of the committees for the rebuilding of the ten Sheepshead Bay Piers both times they were rebuilt, and when I was asked about the possibility of bringing ferry service to the area, I carefully detailed how I personally, and through my civic work with local organizations for more than 25 years, advocated ferry service to and from Sheepshead Bay and how Pier 10 was made wider than the others to make boarding and disembarking ferry passengers easier to manage.

But, unlike downtown ferries, a Sheepshead Bay ferry would have to be accessible by car and have parking, and that this reality, was stated at every community meeting on the topic for the past 25 years.

It is a no-brainer that the more parking that is made available and affordable, the more attractive the ferry service will be as an alternative to using cars to get in and out of Manhattan.

No one is against ferries, but more than ever taxpayers are against spending that doesn't benefit the hometown community, and they are tired of having their money thrown at great-sounding ideas without all the facts.

Ferry services are costly to operate and are highly government-subsidized.



BY STEVE BARRISON

Running a successful one requires the kind of comprehensive approach that we have advocated since the early '80s and that Bay Improvement Group, a community coalition, has urged since 1992: a well thought out, overall plan that identifies, considers, and addresses all critical factors.

And parking is a key part of the picture.

Where will we put all the cars at rates affordable enough to make the ferry a long-term, year-round winner and not just an occasional fun ride in the summer?

Also, how long will government subsidies be in place? Without financial support, the operating overhead will make success almost impossible, and require government subsidies for the foreseeable future. Will riders pay more to get to work on a ferry? And should we be considering green ferries, which are being introduced in other US cities and around the world? The city could lead in this pursuit as well.

We all love the idea of a ferry service, but must determine, understand, and balance the goals against what can be accomplished reasonably and affordably at this time.

Steve Barrison is President of the Bay Improvement Group.

Gangway for Southern Brooklyn ferries

A high-tech manufacturing center and Coney Island casinos were all part of Brooklyn Borough President Marty Markowitz's vision at this year's State of the Borough address. But the thing that really got my attention was hearing my longtime colleague's call to extend East River Ferry Service to connect Manhattan to Coney Island, Sheepshead Bay, Canarsie and, most importantly, Bay Ridge!

Direct commuter ferry service in Bay Ridge ended when the deteriorating 69th Street Pier was closed back in the early 1990s. The pier was rebuilt and completed by 1999. Then, in 2003, former Brooklyn Heights Councilman David Yassky and I placed \$500,000 into the city budget specifically for the construction of a ferry slip to be attached to the renovated pier. The effort was bolstered with a positive response from the Department of Transportation and the full support of Community Board 10, which unanimously voted to ask the city to release the funds and build the ferry slip — what we call a “spud barge” — and subsidize the new ferry service, boasting a 15-minute travel time from the 69th Street Pier to Wall Street's Pier 11.

But just as quickly as momentum grew for the new ferry slip, it suddenly sputtered and came to a halt as the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) decided to pull its subsidy that helped operate another ferry



BY VINCENT GENTILE

service between Brooklyn and Lower Manhattan in the wake of the 9-11 attacks, which had left the N and R subway lines disrupted and roads into Manhattan heavily congested.

It has always been my goal to enhance the community's relationship with the water and the ways in which we can use it. Right now, our waterfront is a tragically under-utilized asset, hidden in plain sight. That was also why, in 2009, I allocated an

additional \$500,000 to build an “Eco-Dock” on the 69th Street Pier which would enable “day trippers” to secure their private boats (between 3–8 pm, depending on their size, plus kayaks or canoes) and explore the neighborhood. The Eco Dock would also greatly benefit Bay Ridge's economy: a more accessible Bay Ridge would mean a stronger and more vibrant Bay Ridge.

The day after his speech, I congratulated Borough President Markowitz for seeing the need to reconnect Manhattan to Southern Brooklyn via the water, and welcomed him to the fight. I have been banging the drum to extend East River Ferry Service to connect Manhattan to Bay Ridge for almost a decade now, and I'm excited to have him aboard. We need to find a way to revive these plans. The time has come — it is long overdue.

Councilman Vincent Gentile (D) represents Bay Ridge.



Red rover, red rover – heart support's all over!

FLATBUSH

The crimson tide took over **Beth Israel Medical Center** to raise awareness of heart disease in women. The staff dressed in their finest red regalia on **Go Red Day**, Feb. 16 and sold raffles and baked goods to raise over \$1,000 to support the **American Heart Association**.



The staff at Beth Israel Medical Center, Kings Highway division.

Beth Israel Medical Center, Kings Highway Division [3201 Kings Highway between Avenue M and E. 31st St. in Flatbush (718) 951-2807].

DOWNTOWN

It's hot, hot, hot

Like a big bear hug, **National Grid** is keeping the community warm. It might not be 10 degrees below out there, but the guys at National Grid are still doing their best to provide heating assistance to those families in need through the **Neighborhood Heating Fund**, by donating an additional \$50,000, which is a lot of coal. Our pal **Ken Daly** over at the company told us, "Even though winter bills are down about 20 percent, the economy is still challenging for many customers. We want to help as many families as possible keep their homes warm and secure with a reliable source of energy." If Standing O Pals out there want to help National Grid they can make a \$5 tax deductible contribution by texting **WARM** to **27722** and follow the prompts. Every cent goes to the Neighborhood Heating Fund, which offers heat help to those in need. You can also visit www.nationalgridus.com for more info.

PARK SLOPE

La Famiglia

Three cheers to the employees at **Duffy Funeral Home** for raising more than \$2,000 to benefit **Calvary Hospice Brooklyn Campus** and **St. Thomas Aquinas Church**. **Bobby Byrnes**, one heck of a singer, provided the entertainment that had party-goers up and on their toes the whole night through at the fundraiser held in the auditorium of the church.

"St. Thomas Aquinas is right next door



How low can you go under the limbo stick?

GOWANUS

Standing O's fellow booster **Borough President Markowitz** does his best to "beat" the fare at the newly reopened entrance to the Fourth Avenue and Ninth Street train station. The station hasn't seen the light of day for more than 40 years, (not as old as Standing O, but getting there), and thanks to hard-working MTA members, and funding from the beep and Assemblywoman Joan Millman (D-Boerum Hill), the station is now open to straphangers. It's got new lights, floors, repainted walls and even new turnstiles. "We are grateful to the elected officials whose contributions allowed us to do even more than

we had planned at this historic station," said **New York City Transit President Thomas Prendergast**. It's estimated that the re-opening will benefit more than 11,000 F, G and R riders who use the station on any given weekday. "The opening of the east side entrance is a big win for the community," said Borough President Markowitz. "Soon the area to this entrance will be filled with retail" —from your lips to the retailers ears, Mr. Prez. "As a longtime supporter of improving mass transit, I am proud to have provided funding to improve this station," added Millman. Although the station is now open there is still more work to be done, but hopefully all will be done by the end of 2013.

to us, so they're like family" said Standing O pal, **Manager Gloria Bischoff**. She added, "We wanted, **Robert Amato** (co-manager), myself and the whole staff, to thank the church and Calvary Hospice for all the wonderful things they do for families and those at the end of their lives as well as their involvement in the community. We all had such a great time."

Joseph G. Duffy Funeral Home [255 9th St. between Fourth and Fifth avenues in Park Slope, (718) 499-8700].

BOROUGH PARK

Willkommen in Maimonides

Yeah, **Dr. Anna Serur** has now joined the staff at **Maimonides** as director of col-

orectal surgery. Our pal Dr. Anna is a board certified surgeon and a member of the **American College of Surgeons** and the **American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons**. "She is an expert in the field of laparoscopic colon and rectal surgery," said **Dr. Patrick Borgen**, chairman of the Department of Surgery. "She has vast experience treating colon and rectal disease, particularly co-



Dr. Anna Serur, has joined the staff of Maimonides Medical Center as the director of colorectal surgery.



Centenarian **Gavina Guadarrama** celebrates her 101st birthday.

Photo by Paul Martinka

EAST NEW YORK

It's your birthday!

On Jan. 26, 1911 **Glen Curtiss** demonstrated the first amphibian aeroplane; on Feb. 17, 1911 **Charles Kettering** introduced the first electrical ignition system for automobiles, and installed it in a Cadillac; and just two days later on Feb. 19, 1911 **Jose and Victoria Acevedo of Hato Tejas, Puerto Rico**, had a little girl, who grew up to be our very own Standing O pal, **Gavina**, who married **Juan Galfio Guadarrama** and settled here to raise their family.

Gavina marked her 101st special day at the **Vandalia Senior Center** with one of her grandsons **Anthony** and one of her three daughters, **Maria**, who is also a member and a host of friends. Also on hand was **Congressman Ed Towns** (D-Canarsie) who graciously helped Gavina blow out the candles on her pretty pink birthday cake.

Standing O wishes Gavina 101 more birthday wishes.

Vandalia Senior Center, [47 Vandalia Ave. between Pennsylvania and Louisiana avenues, in East New York, (718) 272-3905].

lon and rectal cancer, ulcerative colitis and Crohn's disease." Dr. Anna hails from Moscow, and immigrated to the US when she was only 16. She is a graduate of **Brooklyn College** and **SUNY-Downstate Medical School**, graduating with a BA Summa cum Laude. *Maimonides Medical Center [4802 Tenth Ave. between 48th and 49th streets in Borough Park, (718) 283-7602].*

Purim's hottest kids' costumes

BY AARON SHORT

Forget ghosts and witches — the hottest costumes for this year's Hasidic Halloween are cops and brides.

Williamsburg's Orthodox Jews will celebrate Purim next Thursday by attending synagogue, raising money for religious schools, baking kosher cookies, and — most importantly for the kids — wearing colorful costumes.

For the past week, a stream of Satmar families clothed in black wool suits and skirts have mobbed the neighborhood's toy stores, eager to pick out the perfect gowns and uniforms for their children.

And Lee Avenue's Toys 4 U, which has branches in Williamsburg and Borough Park, is at the center of the scrum.

"It's a happy holiday — children get presents and collect money for charity," said Toys 4 U proprietor Joseph Itzkowitz, who isn't picky when it comes to costumes.

"Whatever costume parents buy, that's my favorite," he said.

The religious holiday commemorates Queen Esther's victory over King Ahasuerus's vengeful court advisor, Haman, and the deliverance of the Jews from fourth century Persia.

Its masquerades resemble Halloween, and Jews throughout the world have used the occasion of their deliverance to dress up in fun — and sometimes racy — outfits and party into the small hours.

But unlike secular and modern Orthodox Jews, Hasidic youth wear more conservative costumes, like cops and brides.

Law enforcement and weddings aren't the only popular themes — some revelers find inspiration in history.

"The story of Purim is about princesses and kings," said United Jew-



PLAYING DRESS UP: Forget witches, kids like 4-year-old Faigy Franczod want to go as brides for Purim. Photo by Stefano Giovannini

ish Organizations director David Niederman. "This is a way for kids to understand the story of Purim and participate."

That explains another of the year's top sellers: princess dresses.

"Everybody wants to be a princess and dreams about being a queen," said Miriam Itzkowitz, of Toys 4 U. "One day, she can be a princess."

Boys reached for military camouflage, black rabbi frocks, and, most of ten, police uniforms.

"They see police on the street, there are a lot of them, and they know who they are," said Itzkowitz.

Families with toddlers were aiming for all things sweet, grabbing adorable strawberry, apple, and honeybee costumes.

For older kids, the holiday has less to do with costumes than community service.

Many unmarried teenage boys will spend Purim driving around Williamsburg with rented RVs, try-

ing to raise cash for their yeshivas. And unmarried young girls often walk door-to-door with their parents to raise money and hand out pastries called hamentaschen, stuffed cabbage, and other treats.

That said, most do their charitable works while wearing colorful wigs and clown-like get-ups.

"I'm going to wear something very different, very colorful," said Tzvi Lazar, who was helping families pick out costumes for their children at Toys 4 U. "I'll have white and pink pants, an orange shirt, and rainbow socks."

For Hasidic parents, the holiday is a joyous one — and a subtle reminder that their children are growing older.

"My son, who is two-and-a-half, is going to be a rebbe, and my four-year-old daughter is going to be a bride, with a fancy bridal gown," said Williamsburg resident David Gross. "Last year she was a strawberry shortcake."



OPEN SPACES: The Department of Transportation wants to convert this patch of concrete at Avenue M, Elm Avenue, and E. 15th Street into a gravel pedestrian plaza — but not all Midwood residents are cheering the plan. Photo by Elizabeth Graham

A pedestrian plaza in Midwood? No, say residents

BY ELI ROSENBERG

Midwood residents are shooting down a city plan to convert a small neighborhood street into a pedestrian plaza, even though one civic group claims that replacing cars with gravel paths, tables, and chairs would be a boon to the area.

"We need room for cars, we already have too many traffic problems," said Sydney Norensberg who lives near Elm Avenue near Avenue M — the spot where the city wants to install their pedestrian plaza. "If people want to walk, they should go to the park."

Representatives from the Midwood Development

Corporation said the Department of Transportation approached them with the idea of blocking off Elm Avenue to traffic at E. 15th Street and turning the street and a small, oval-shaped pedestrian island near the Avenue M Q train station into a tranquil gravel court with metal chairs and tables — and they jumped at the chance.

"We want to make an inviting public urban space," said Corporation Director Linda Goodman, who added that the plaza would be a temporary trial. "If it doesn't work, it will go away."

Yet some neighbors fret-

ted that the people-friendly plaza would become a magnet for drunkards and require supervision.

"We're worried about people congregating and we don't want it to turn into a hangout spot," said one resident, who would only identify himself as Ness. "If they plan on building it, security will be needed there."

The Midwood Development Corporation said it would supply its own maintenance workers to offset city costs, which could run upwards of \$10,000 a year.

Community Board 14 will review the city's proposal on March 21 ahead of its April 4 public hearing.

Puppy

Continued from cover

the \$1,400 pooch could sink his shop between Avenue P and Quentin Road.

"This one puppy can put us out of business," Deitz said, explaining why he is so desperate to have the dog returned to him — and that cops throw the flea bag poachers who pinched the unnamed tail-wagger in jail.

Surveillance footage shows one of the thieves acting as a lookout while the other stuffed the adorable, one-pound, black-and-brown pooch into his jacket pocket. A few minutes later, the two thieves walk out of

the store — \$1,400 richer.

But the thieves may have already caused the little dog's demise.

Yorkies — which range in price from \$500 to \$1,500 — require specific food and regular vaccinations to keep them from developing hyperglycemia, a condition that can result in sickness, organ failure and even death, said Deitz, who fears that the puppy hasn't been properly cared for since it was dog-napped.

"My employees are all crying," Deitz said. "We're all worried about this puppy. It only takes a day and a half, two days tops, without proper treatment for [them] to expire."

But cops may have a

break in the case: a store employee has helped police identify two possible suspects by comparing the surveillance video to pictures in the 63rd Precinct's mug books. The two men were still being sought by Monday night, police said.

Dietz's financial troubles started well before the thieves took his Yorkie. His business has been struggling ever since his wife and business partner slapped him with divorce papers four years ago, he said.

Anyone with information regarding this dog-napping is urged to contact CrimeStoppers at (800) 577-8477. All calls will be kept confidential.

NY Methodist helps Brooklyn's hearts

Statistics show that one in every 115 individuals is born with a congenital heart defect. Of these heart conditions, atrial septal defect is the most common, affecting nearly 10 percent of people with a congenital heart defect. There are no medical therapies available, but repair is possible with advanced cardiac technologies. New York Methodist Hospital offers patients a new minimally invasive procedure used to repair atrial septal defect.

Atrial septal defect occurs when the tissue that divides the two chambers of the heart does not close completely, forming a small hole in the heart. As a result, blood may flow between the two chambers and overwork the heart. It is caused by genetic factors or by a malformation in fetal development during the mother's pregnancy.

"Some patients may not know that they have atrial septal defect, as most people with the condition do not experience any irregularities or symptoms until their 20s or 30s," said Sorin J. Brener, MD, FACC, director of the cardiac catheterization lab at New York Methodist. "The most common symptoms of atrial septal defect are shortness of breath, fatigue, heart palpitations, and swelling of the legs and feet. Anyone experiencing these symptoms should immediately make an appointment with a cardiologist."

Treatment options for atrial septal defect vary according to the size of the actual defect. If the defect is larger than 40 millimeters in diameter, patients must undergo traditional open-heart surgery and have a patch sewn over the area. In most cases, the surgeon uses a piece of tissue from the patient's own pericardium (the membrane surrounding the heart) to close the hole.

However, for eligible candidates with a defect of 40 millimeters or less, New York Methodist offers the new minimally invasive percutaneous repair procedure, which involves the insertion of a small tube, called a catheter, into a vein in the leg. The device then travels up the vein into the heart. Once the catheter reaches the defect, an umbrella-like device opens and expands, plugging the area and closing the hole.

Percutaneous atrial septal defect repair allows for shorter hospital stays and a faster recovery time than traditional open-heart surgery.

"If atrial septal defect is treated shortly after symptoms begin to present themselves, patient outcomes are very good," said Dr. Brener. "Treatment with percutaneous atrial septal defect repair takes approximately two hours and only requires one night in the hospital. The patient must take a blood thinner for three months following treatment, but can otherwise resume a normal life."

Without treatment, atrial septal defect can lead to enlargement of the entire right side of the heart, causing it to weaken. In some cases, the blood pressure in the lungs increases as well, leading to pulmonary hypertension. Other complications from atrial septal defect include stroke or irregular heartbeat.

The new treatment offered by the Division of Cardiology at New York Methodist Hospital adds to the medical center's growing repertoire of minimally invasive cardiac procedures.

For more information about atrial septal defect repair or to assess your heart health, contact New York Methodist's Institute for Cardiology and Cardiac Surgery at (866) 84-HEART.

Watching kids' weight

Childhood obesity can lead to obesity later in life



Putting children on the right eating and exercise paths can keep them fit and trim their entire lives.

Many parents are arguing with their children, and it's not over doing homework or cleaning their rooms. The disagreements are about food and how many of today's youth need guidance about what they eat because of pronounced weight gain.

Research indicates that in the United States one out of three children is now classified as overweight or obese. With less time spent exercising and more time spent in front of the television or with gaming consoles, children are packing on the pounds. Furthermore, with the harried pace many families keep — including two-income households where there may not be ample time to prepare healthy, lower-fat meals — fast food and convenience items have become the norm.

According to reports from ABCNews, a young child who is obese has a 50 percent chance of becoming an obese adult if he is not given help. This also puts

the child at risk for heart disease, stroke and diabetes as an adult if the situation is not changed before adulthood.

Experts advise against putting a child on an adult diet. Children have different nutritional needs and there needs to be enough food to fuel a growing body.

Another thing that parents often contend with is picky eaters who are not apt to simply cut one thing out of a diet and replace it with a healthier alternative.

A smarter idea is to consult with a pediatrician or a nutritionist who specializes in pediatrics. She can present a meal plan that fits with the dietary needs of the child, but is also healthy enough to promote weight loss. Adult diets may harm a child's health because they limit certain things that a child needs to process vitamins and minerals, such as certain levels of fat.

One of the best things to do is to get children moving. Regular exercise is an ideal way to burn off the calories

and fat that is not needed. Implement daily activities, such as taking walks, playtime in the yard and sports games so that kids are moving instead of sitting in front of the television.

Here are some other ideas that may work:

- Limit electronics use so that kids will have to get their fun from physical activities.

- Don't make a big deal about body weight. A 12-year study at Stanford University found that parents who are very controlling about food put too much pressure on their children to be thin. This can lead to eating disorders. Parents who push diets may have children who are overweight years later.

- Eat regular meals as a family. Eating meals together instead of grazing and snacking can promote better eating habits.

- Remove unhealthy foods from the home. Kids will eat what is convenient. If there are no unhealthy snacks around, they'll have

to choose from others, like fresh fruits and low-fat items.

- Serve meals from the stove. Portion out food items onto each person's plate instead of putting a large quantity of food in the middle of the table. This can help regulate portion sizes and prevent overeating.

- Don't make everything off-limits. Have a few "splurge" items around so that kids won't feel deprived. Low-fat frozen yogurt can satisfy like ice cream. Lower-fat cookies can replace the unhealthy kind. Chances are kids won't even realize they're eating healthier.

- Skip sodas and sugary drinks. Encourage children to drink water, fruit juices and low-fat milk instead of filling up on sugary drinks.

Parents can make their children feel loved and supported no matter what their weight. Taking an interest in a child's health involves being aware of eating and food issues that can lead to obesity.

Beth Israel Medical Center now Beth Israel Brooklyn

Beth Israel Medical Center announced on Monday that it will formally change the name of its Brooklyn hospital division to Beth Israel Brooklyn.

The hospital, located on Kings Highway in Midwood, had been known as Beth Israel-Kings Highway Division since Beth Israel

purchased the hospital from its previous owners in 1995.

"The name Beth Israel Brooklyn more accurately reflects the strong presence and reputation Beth Israel and our outstanding affiliated physicians enjoy in the borough," said Steven Hochberg, chairman

of Continuum Health Partners, the parent company for Beth Israel.

Clinical services have greatly expanded at Beth Israel Brooklyn since Beth Israel acquired the facility 18 years ago.

"Beth Israel Brooklyn is a community hospital that now offers a broader range

of services than are traditionally available at most community hospitals," said Harris M. Nagler, MD, president of Beth Israel.

The name change to Beth Israel Brooklyn also will be reflected in new signage throughout the facility, and through the incorporation of a new logo

on all future ads and on its official letterhead and hospital forms.

"This is a very exciting time for all of the physicians, nurses, staff, and volunteers at Beth Israel Brooklyn," said Rhona Hetsrony, the hospital's vice president for Administration. "This is, in many ways,

recognition of the work of countless individuals who have helped to advance our clinical services and make Beth Israel Brooklyn an important healthcare provider for the people of the borough."

Beth Israel Brooklyn, 3201 Kings Highway at E. 41st Street in Midwood.

"Because of my diabetes I was getting blisters and wounds on my feet."

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Insulin pumps help manage diabetes

Diabetics who participate in insulin therapy often face hundreds of needle pricks a month in order to keep their sugar levels in check. However, insulin pumps reduce the amount of manual work and the pain involved.

Diabetes is a condition where the body doesn't produce enough insulin or it cannot use it properly. The American Diabetes Association says that 25.8 million children and adults in the United States — 8.3 percent of the population — have diabetes.

Insulin is important because it enables glucose from the foods eaten to enter cells as a form of energy. When there is no insulin or insufficient levels, glucose remains in the bloodstream instead of entering the cells. Too much glucose in the blood can lead to a host of problems. Diabetics who take artificial insulin do so to keep their glucose levels in check.

A doctor will work with you to develop a plan of insulin injections. Some people with diabetes have to take insulin once or twice a day, while others need it three or four times. That can be up to 120 needle injections per month, not factoring in needle pricks to test for blood sugar levels.

As an alternative, diabetics can turn to an insulin delivery system. Although these systems do offer an automatic stream



of insulin, the device isn't completely hands-off, but it does reduce the margin of error with insulin delivery.

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An insulin pump is a small device (about the size of a cellphone) that contains insulin. The pump is programmed to deliver a basal rate of insulin to keep blood glucose in the desired range for the patient. The insulin is delivered through a small tube with a cannula at the end that is inserted beneath the skin. The insertion only needs to be done about 10 to 12 times a month, otherwise the tube remains inserted in the skin.

These pumps can help diabetics live more normal lives relatively free from the strict insulin shot regimens of the past.

Glenn Beck blasts Bklyn food co-op

Pundit enraged by Israeli food ban proposal

BY NATALIE O'NEILL
AND ELI ROSENBERG

The Park Slope Food Co-op's campaign to ban Israeli food products is a hate-spewing affront on the Jewish State that will injure the whole human race, conservative media personality Glenn Beck told a packed crowd in Crown Heights last Wednesday.

The Libertarian poster boy called the market's proposed boycott on Israeli-made or grown products "anti-Semitic" at a fundraiser for a Jerusalem museum.

"What is happening with the Food Co-op where they are seriously considering a boycott of Israel?" he said, likening the suggested ban to a subtle version of drawing swastikas.

"When you use words like 'I'm just anti-Israel' or 'I'm just anti-Zionist' — that's anti-Semitic."

Supporters of Israel crowded into a Razag Ballroom, a Jewish community center and wedding hall, to hear the man famous for his chalkboard-abetted rants, fits of crying, and theories about progressives discuss subjects such as evil-doing, Israel's right to defend itself, and on-air use of the word "Nazi."

More than 200 people — yarmulke-clad politicians, justice-seeking authors, and big-name lawyers — came to raise money for the Gush Katif Museum, which commemorates controversial eviction of Israeli settlements in the Gaza strip, but stayed for Beck's speech.

The former Fox News host and current Internet TV pundit earned loud applause and coverage from several news stations, but Food Co-op members were not as enthusiastic.

Some fired back that



CO-OP IN THE CROSSHAIRS: Glenn Beck (seen here in 2010) took aim at the Park Slope Food Co-op in Brooklyn last Wednesday when he spoke in Crown Heights. Associated Press / Richard Drew

Beck was simply capitalizing on the attention — and commenting on a subject about which he knows little.

"People at the Co-op are very open-minded," said Co-op member Steve Dobkin, who is Jewish and defended the shop's progressive thinking. "I'd like to boycott him."

Beck's speech comes after a Co-op vote this week that revived calls for the purveyor of all-things-organic to sanction Israel for alleged human rights violations against Palestinians, the way the Union Street grocery banned South African products during apartheid, and, more recently, plastic bags.

The rule was first pro-

posed three years ago in the shop's newsletter, sparking international media attention and prompting gripes from hummus and paprika-loving foodies, some of whom called the plan anti-Semitic way before Beck — who is neither Jewish nor a Co-op member — hit Brooklyn.

Assemblyman Dov Hikind (D-Borough Park), who attended the event on East New York Avenue, echoed Beck's idea.

"You have some idiots in Brooklyn," he said.

But after the speech, some said the subject was more nuanced than the way Beck had framed it.

"He might just be playing to the crowd," said audience member Yosef Schwartz.

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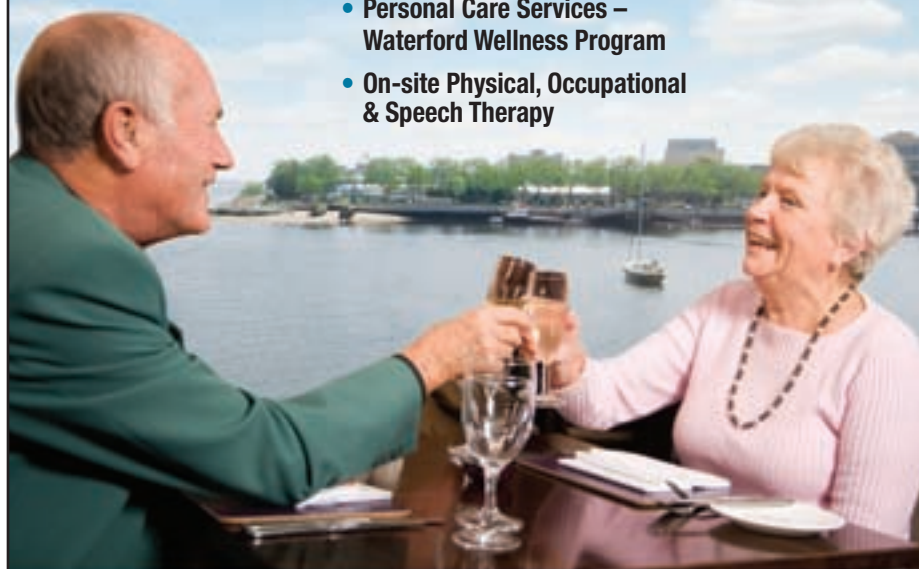
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Because the camp experience will have significant impact on a child's life, it's important for parents to learn to choose a camp wisely.

Many parents can benefit from guidance in this area. For example, some parents may send a child to a camp they attended without considering how the camp may have changed, or the differences between the parent's and the child's needs and desires. In other cases, children go to a camp that a friend has enjoyed, assuming they will enjoy it, too. All too often, this assumption proves wrong.

While there's no easy way to find the best camp for your child, this will provide you with some basic guidelines for making this very important decision.

What do you and your child want?

Regardless of the age of your child, it is important that the ultimate selection of a camp accommodate all or some of the needs, interests, goals, and expectations of both parent and child. The parent must make an effort to understand what the child wants and why. A good way to begin is to sit down as a family and respond to the following questions:

- What do you and your child want to gain from the camp experience? Learn new skills, develop more self-confidence, improve proficiency in certain areas, become more independent?
- What are other expectations of the camp experience?
- What are the special interests that your child wants to explore?
- Are there any physical, intellectual, or social limitations that should be considered?
- What kind of emphasis will your child profit from the most? For example: is a lot of structure desirable, is social

interaction with members of the opposite sex important, or does your child need a place where she is encouraged to develop at her own pace? You may have other concerns that you'll want to keep in mind as you go through your selection process.

With the above information in mind, it is appropriate to look at some of the specific characteristics that should be considered in determining what you and your child want. These characteristics include:

Type of camp

Generally, camps are coed, all boys, all girls, or brother and sister. In a coed camp, there may be extensive interaction between boys and girls through activities or through the use of common facilities such as the waterfront and dining hall. Brother and sister camps may provide for some social interaction but normally they have separate activities and facilities for boys and girls. They may be located adjacent to each other or may be miles apart.

Sleepaway camps provide a summer residential program where campers enjoy daily and evening activities. Depending on the type of program chosen, a camp experience can range anywhere from one week to an entire summer.

In considering sleepaway camp, parents should keep a few questions in mind:

- Is your child ready for a sleepaway experience?
- What is expected from the camp experience?
- What type of camp fits best with parent work schedules and family vacation times?
- What are the total costs of sleepaway camp?
- Take a moment to consider the type of camp that makes the most sense for your child and try to develop your reasons for those preferences.
- Is it coed, all boys, all girls, or brother and sister?

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First time away from home? Best ways for child to cope

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Although camp is a time to develop new skills, have fun, gain independence, and experience new wonders, the camping experience is also one of the first times that many children will be away from home for an extended period.

In order to lead a more happy and productive camp life, children need to develop a positive self-image, the feeling that "I am somebody," before they go to the first day of camp, and that's your job as the parent.

The following ideas can help foster self-esteem in children:

Level with children. Don't talk down to a young person; instead, put yourself at eye level with a child. It can often minimize a problem, as well as make the child feel equal.

Let children make decisions. For example, early participation in



health care decisions such as, "Do you want liquid medicine or tablets?"

lessens a child's feeling of powerlessness, and can foster an intelligent con-

sumer attitude in children.

Values rules. The purpose of rules is to help people get along with each other and, in turn, feel

good about themselves. The best rules are written during calm times with the participation of the child.

Show the child you



understand. Share your childhood memories with your child. Children need to know that their parents had trouble learning things, too. By showing understanding, you will help your child become more confident.

Develop your own self-esteem. Parents need to feel valued and self-confident before they can help their children develop self-esteem. Parents should try to show their children that they don't have to have it all together all the time to feel good about themselves.

Children need to feel that they are special in and outside of camp. Parents have the advantage at home, because they can tailor the environment to what the child needs and wants. The following activities will help create some memorable one-on-one times between a parent and child:

- Keep a notepad ready to jot down ideas of special things to do with each of your children.

- Take your young child to the grocery store. Talk about prices, and let him pick out one thing to buy.

- Help your child make a scrapbook of a trip or something that he enjoys.

- Save the child's drawings and colorful paintings and use them in decorative ways.

- Sit with your child and discuss how you and he can make this day or this weekend better. Focus on your child's strengths, not weaknesses.

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Top questions to ask when targeting a camp

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Summertime will soon be here, and it's never too early to start thinking about activities for your children. We all want our children to have happy, enjoyable summer experiences that are appropriate for their needs and interests. A good camp experience can offer your child the opportunity to try new activities, learn new skills, make friends, and gain a sense of independence.

Where do you begin? It is essential to understand your child and to know his interests when choosing a camp. Some questions you might ask yourself include:

- Does your child have a special interest, such as drama, music, a particular sport, nature study, or arts and crafts?

- Has your child expressed interest in learning a particular new skill?

- Does your child have any special needs or a particular learning style?

- Are swimming and water sports important to your child?

- Would your child be more comfortable going off with a friend? Would this make a difference?

- Does your child do well in a structured environment, or is a relatively relaxed setting more appropriate?

- Would your child be more comfortable in a day camp near home, or is he ready for a sleepaway experience? Your child's age, past experience, and personality will be factors in determining his readiness for a particular type of program.

Choosing a camp should be a thoughtful process which involves interviewing the director, reviewing information, getting references from other parents, and visiting the camp in progress. The whole process should be a cooperative parent-child effort. This should take into consideration not only the interests of the child, but such other practical factors as the location of the camp, whether or not transporta-



tion or carpooling is available, the number of weeks of the program, the costs involved, and the refund policy.

There are three basic types of camps — day camps, overnight camps, or specialty camps. Most camps are recreational, while some offer tutoring

and remedial work as well as enrichment programs.

After making your decision about which type of program you are considering, and getting names of possible camps, you should begin your inquiry by calling the camp for a brochure and some basic information about the program.

Find out if the camp will be having an open house or will be represented at one of the local camp fairs held throughout the winter in your area. Some camps have video tapes or slide-shows that will give you a visual impression of typical camping experiences and the facilities.

Ask lots of specific questions, and if possible, meet with the director. You will want to know what the camp philosophy and stated goals are, how the staff is trained and supervised, their ages and experience, and the staff-camper ratio. One indication of the success of the camp would be the rate of return of both campers and staff, including the director. What is the camp's discipline policy? Ask if the special programs are actually taught by specialists trained specifically in that field. How are the groups organized? What is the daily schedule? What happens on rainy days?

Are there any special events planned? What do the facilities include — pools, sports fields, and art studios? Are there special sleeping arrangements, meals, laundry facilities, bathroom facilities, special trips, transportation arrangements, and special needs facilities?

The camp's emergency procedures and safety policies are also important. Is there a trained nurse or doctor on site? Is the staff trained in first aid and CPR? What is the camp's insurance coverage? Is there appropriate water sports supervision?

The more questions you ask now, the fewer surprises you will encounter later.

If you are planning very far ahead, it is helpful to visit the camp the summer before you are interested in sending your child. The impressions you get while observing a situation firsthand are unique. Be aware of such things as staff involvement and the energy level of the campers, as well as the general ambience of the place.

Ask the director for references of parents who have sent their children in the past, and get references directly from parents as well. Find out what their kids liked the most, what they did not like (there's always something), and if the staff met the parents' expectations.

There are other options just for teens, such as counselor-in-training programs, where 14 to 17 year olds can gain leadership skills while assisting with younger campers. Teens can also take advantage of wilderness programs, cross-country travel, bike trips, and adventure programs, as well as international travel or summer school programs.

The more questions you ask now, the fewer surprises you will encounter later.

As an alternative to a typical day or residential camp, other summer activities for children can be found at local community centers, neighborhood playgrounds, Scout programs, and public libraries. These options can include arts and crafts classes, swimming lessons, and other recreational programs.

So begin to plan now for an exciting, fun-filled, and memorable summer for your children. Good camps do fill up early. Don't forget the importance of maintaining a positive attitude about the camping experience. Involving your children in the camp selection process from the very beginning can help to make them more aware of what to expect from the experience. Talk about the new things they'll be learning and the friends they'll be making.



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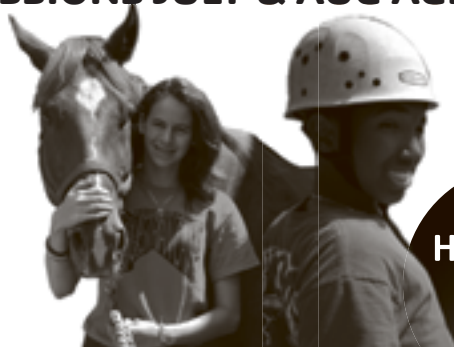
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Day camp may be best option for your child

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If overnight camp is not the right choice for your youngster, or if your child is younger than 7, look into the many summer day camp programs available. It can even prepare your child for overnight camp.

Some points to consider when choosing a day camp:

•**Training:** Is the staff trained in safety, supervision, counseling, problem solving, and other issues important to working with young children?

•**Cost:** Is the price all-inclusive, or do extra charges apply for transportation, horseback riding, food service, group pictures, T-shirts, and other items?

•**Transportation:** If transportation is



offered, do you live near a pick-up spot?

•**Extended care:** If before and after care is offered to accommodate working parents, who is with the children and what activities take place?

•**Lunch:** Is lunch served, or do campers bring their own?

•**Swimming:** If swimming is offered, are lessons included, or is swimming only recreational?

•**Supervision:** Does one counselor

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Some tips on starting your search for a summer camp

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When choosing a summer camp, here are some good guidelines with which to start your search:

•Take time to visit the site and meet the director.

•Talk to parents whose children attended the camp in the past.

•Camps not run by child care centers are not required to be licensed, but they should have reasonable adult-child ratios — especially for younger children.

•Find out how much training or experience the camp directors and counselors have had. The American Camping Association recommends that 80 percent or more of the staff be 18 years or older.

•Find out how long the camp has been around.

•Ask for a typical week's schedule of activities. Check for a balance of structure and creativity, quiet time and stimulation, safe boundaries and freedom.

•Make sure activities are developmentally appropriate for your child's age. Planning for younger children to play basketball for three hours is not appropriate and may

be an indication of other inappropriate expectations.

•Check to see how the camp handles emergencies, sicknesses, and field trips.

•If children will be swimming, there should be enough certified lifeguards and adult supervision.

•Ask directors and counselors how they handle discipline and behavior problems. How do they handle shy children? What do they do with a child who is afraid to go in the water?

•It may help your child feel more relaxed if you visit the site a few days in advance. Find her room, the water fountains, and the restrooms.

•Once your child has been in camp for a few days, pay close attention to her moods at the end of the day. A child who is frantic and uneasy may not be in the camp situation best for her.

•Although children benefit from being active, be sure not to over program for the summer. Children need a break, too. Remember that children also benefit from family activities and time to themselves.

•Ask your child, "Are you having fun?"



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How can you find the camp that's best for your child, especially if he has a special need? Thanks to the Americans with Disabilities Act, there is access to a wider variety of services and programs for people with disabilities.

What will benefit your child most this summer? Be honest with yourself and clearly outline the specifics of dates needed, length of session required, location, supportive services required, and costs.

Many organizations offer day and residential summer camping programs for children and teens with disabilities. The Lion's Clubs, Easter Seals, and disability-specific organizations such as the Muscular Dystrophy Association and American Diabetes Association, are among them.

Others are just day programs, overnight camps, or both. Such organizations tend to cater to the specific needs of their clientele, supported by a long history of service to youth with disabilities and their families.

Some special-needs camps will offer educational support or continue with occupational therapy, physical therapy, or speech therapy. Campers are often enrolled or grouped by age or functioning level to provide an appropriate peer group.

Special needs camps can specifically handle the medical, behavioral, dietary, physical, emotional, cognitive, or social needs of their campers.

Generally, the staff-to-camper ratio will vary from one to one or one to four.

Families choose special-needs camps for a wide variety of reasons. These may include existing relationships with an agency and knowledge of the philosophy and mission of that agency, security in knowing the camp is designed especially for their child, wanting their child to identify with a peer group of kids with disabilities, and security in knowing their child won't be "different" than the other kids.

All this might seem a bit overwhelming at first, but careful investigation can help you find a good match for both the camp and your child.

Traditional camps generally serve a variety of children, from all economic and cultural backgrounds. Experiencing diversity among campers and staff is often part of the experience.

If physical accessibility is imperative, ask about the location and layout of the camp. Many camps are in wooded areas with limited, if any, pavement or well-graded paths. If your child is ambulatory but tires easily with a lot of walking, ask about the proximity of cabins, dining hall, activity areas, and waterfront.

Does the camp provide special meals or alternative foods for allergies, diabetes, or specialized diets? If the camp doesn't provide specialized meals, often, the family can provide the foods necessary or even review the camp menu in advance.

Does the camp have adequate medical facilities and

staff? If your child requires specific intervention or care, is the camp able to provide it in its regular health care operations? Who provides the services required? Is there a nurse on-duty at all times? What support does the camp need to safely care for you child?

Be specific and ask for the camp's ratio of counselors to campers, which reflects the positions which directly work with and supervise the campers. If your child requires additional supervision for physical care, behavior management, or instruction, ask if the camp can provide the necessary supervision for safe participation in the program.

If the camp is unable to provide the individualized care your child requires, the camp may offer to accommodate an aide you send with your child to camp, to help with the child's physical care needs, behavior management, or supervision. Room and board for the aide may be provided at no cost.

Reasons for sending your child to a traditional camp are as varied as the programs offered. Appropriate behaviors modeled by your child's peers may be a prime motivator. Experiencing everyday events just like other kids may be your objective. Wanting a greater choice in time, place, cost, distance, and location could be the deciding factor.

Perhaps your child is active in an organization's activities, such as 4-H, Girls Scouts, or YMCA, during the school year and wants to attend that camp in the summer with friends. Maybe your child is in special programs during the school year and you want him to be with other kids during the summer.

Whatever the reasons, the choice is yours to make, whether a traditional, inclusion camp or special-needs camp. The most important question is "what is best for my child this summer?"



Learning disabilities and camp

CAMP GUIDE

When choosing a summer camp program for a child with learning disabilities, the most important question to is, "Will they understand and take good care of my child?"

This can be answered by lengthy conversations with camp personnel or the director. If a camp is too busy to return your phone calls, will it be too busy for your child?

Regardless of all that a camp has to offer, if the director or the staff are too busy for you now, it should be a red flag! Find a camp that will give you and your child the time and attention that you both deserve.

Consider these factors when determining what camp program will best fit the needs of your child:

•**Type of program:** Decide early in the process what type of program you want for your child. Camps are offered as day programs (campers go home at night) and residential programs (campers board at the camp facility for the length of their stay).

Length of programs vary from as short as a few days to several weeks. Be certain that your child is ready to cope with the length of the program you select.

Camp programs are available in both same-sex formats and co-ed. Consider your child's social skills level and ability to cope

with the demands of mixed-sex social situations when deciding which of these environments would be best.

Program philosophy should be clearly stated in the camp literature. Your family should be comfortable with this philosophy and confident that it will deliver an enjoyable experience for your child.

Of particular importance is the camp's policy regarding family communication with the child. Will the child be expected, in fact encouraged, to write to her family during the camp stay? Will phone calls to and from home be allowed? Children with learning disabilities often have differing needs for family contact and you should be certain that the camp policy will not conflict with those needs.

•**Type of camp:** There are many choices! Your child can be mainstreamed into a regular camp setting, or be at a camp that focuses on her particular needs. There are also camps that mix up the needs, such as learning disabled, emotionally disabled and physically disabled. And then there are camps that truly specialize. You'll need to decide which type of environment will best address your child's needs.

•**Size:** What are you ideally looking for? Camps range in size from 500 or more chil-

dren per session to as small as 30 to 35 per session. It is purely a personal decision for each family. Make a point of asking the camp director for information about the number of campers in the program.

•**Educational or recreational:** Many camps for learning-disabled children are purely recreational, while other programs combine both recreational and educational activities. Some programs, while calling themselves "camp," have a strong instructional focus. Inquire about the percentage of camp time devoted to varying activities and decide what mix will best serve your child's specific needs.

•**Location and facilities:** Choose the type of setting that you think your child will enjoy. The eastern half of the country has many beautiful lake-front and forest locations. Many camps are schools that convert to camp or summer school during the summer months. There are fewer camps in the west, but the west offers a completely different experience because of the Rocky Mountains and the distinctive western culture. Some camps are very luxurious and others are true camping experiences. Ask about eating, sleeping, and bathing facilities and be sure that your child will feel comfortable in the particular setting offered by the camp.



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Check camp policies before packing bags

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When packing for a camp, you should receive information on policies and procedures before your child is ready to go. The following checklist should help you decide what you do or don't need to pack:

• **Bedding:** Sleeping bags, sheets,



blankets and pillows are usually the camper's responsibility. Most beds are twin size or smaller and may be bunk style. Some camps supply linens.

• **Towels:** Usually supplied by the camper.

• **Clothing:** Most camps supply a list of recommended clothing that varies with the climate. Be sure to pack long pants (for hikes and horseback riding) as well as shorts. Comfortable, durable shoes are a must, while special footwear is advisable for certain activities (tennis, hiking, and horseback riding). Use a permanent marker or name tags to identify your child's belongings. Some camps require campers to wear uniforms. Some camps will furnish the uniforms, while others will provide you with ordering information.

• **Toiletries:** A small bag can be handy for toiletries if a camper has to walk to a separate building for showering and bathing. It is wise to pack sunscreen, lip balm, insect repellent, soap, toothpaste and toothbrush, shampoo, a hairbrush and comb, and deodorant (if your child uses it).

• **Laundry:** Generally, sessions

under two weeks don't include laundry service. You might send a pillow case or laundry bag to store dirty clothing.

• **Equipment:** Camps usually provide items such as oars, life jackets, and craft materials, but check with the camp to be sure. The camper may want to bring a tennis racquet, musical instrument, or backpack. Don't pack radios, televisions, portable CD players, stereos, food, or hunting knives.

• **Spending money:** Camps have different policies on children bringing spending money. Some have stores that sell T-shirts, film, candy, and other items. Check with the camp staff.

• **Medicine:** Any medication should be properly labeled in its original container with dosage instructions and given to the camp's medical personnel for safe keeping.

• **Insurance:** Camper health and accident insurance may be provided by the camp. You might be asked to bring information on family health and accident coverage. Be sure to ask the camp director if there are additional charges for insurance.



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• Is it general, specialty, academic, travel, or special needs?

After you have gone through your preferences and reasons, make a note of any additional questions or concerns that you still have.

Cost

Nonprofit camps are less expensive than private sleepaway. As a parent, you have to make a careful assessment of your family's financial limitations regarding camp costs. There are several very important calculations. How much would you have to pay to feed, entertain, provide childcare, and so forth, if your child stays home for all or part of a summer?

Second, be sure to estimate the extras that are involved in going to camp. Extras may include a camp uniform, charges for trips, transportation, the cost of visiting the camp, and the extra spending money needed by your child.

Third, remember that a good camp experience can be a long-term investment that will affect many other areas of your child's life. In other words, don't be too concerned about saving a couple of hundred dollars over the course of the summer. If your child does not have a good experience, you both will have lost far more than you have saved.

Generally, children will attend sleep-

away camps for either four or eight weeks. Four weeks at a good private sleepaway camp will cost anywhere from \$3,500 to \$6,500, and eight weeks will range from \$4,000 to \$7,000. Non-profit and organizational camps will range from \$1,200 to \$3,000 for four weeks and \$2,500 to \$5,000 for eight weeks. Two-week programs are occasionally available. Costs will range from \$650 to \$2,000. Specialty camps can range from \$500 to \$1,000 per week, depending on the program. You should take some time to consider what you can reasonably afford.

Size

Camps may vary in size from under 100 campers to more than 400. Smaller camps may foster a very special environment where campers and staff really get to know each other, and where individual needs can be quickly met.

Large camps are often organized into small units, thus making it possible to receive the same kind of attention offered by a smaller camp. This is a complex issue that will require special attention and investigation. In a good camp there may be little correlation between size and the quality of the total camp experience.

If you feel your child requires special attention in an area such as confidence building, it is probably more important to find out how a camp meets that need, rather than getting hung up on size. In this regard, you might want to keep these kinds of questions in mind:

•What do you do to prevent campers from

getting lost in the shuffle?

•Can a below-average athlete feel comfortable in trying new things and in working on skills at her own pace?

•What is done to promote a sense of self-worth?

The answers to such questions and others will help you identify appropriate camps and as you move toward a final selection.

Location

Many parents needlessly limit their search for a camp by looking in one state or by choosing an arbitrary distance from home. More important than distance are the related questions involving camp environment, security, medical facilities, and accessibility.

In choosing a location you might also want to consider the cost for you to visit the camp, and the proximity to camps your other children are attending during the summer. Keep in mind that there are excellent camps in many states, and that if your child is having a good experience, distance will not make a great deal of difference. Which is more important — choosing the right camp based on your child's interests and needs, or the comfort of knowing your child's camp is close to home?

Programs and activities

As you might imagine, camps have all kinds of program offerings. Some camps may emphasize one activity, while others will offer a wide array of programs. Camps in which a camper would devote a majority of her time to one activity are often referred

to as specialty camps. In these camps, staff and facilities are geared to provide an intensive experience in a single area such as tennis, horseback riding, gymnastics, sailing, or wilderness. Naturally, these camps have other facilities and activities that provide campers with additional experiences.

A more traditional camp program tends to be broader in terms of what it offers. Most general camps will provide programs in some team sports such as baseball and soccer, individual sports like tennis, and waterfront activities such as swimming and sailing, as well as some outdoor life options in hiking and canoeing. Many of these camps also provide campers with the opportunity to get extra instruction in any of the areas that are offered.

In making a decision about camp, it is vital that you and your child look into the total camp program and that you examine the quality of the staff and facilities available to support that program.

Questions to ask

•Will the program encourage the child to try new things, or things she is not skilled in?

•What is the philosophy regarding competition and the level of competitiveness?

•Which activities are required?

•Is instruction given in each activity?

•How structured is the program? Are there electives (choices the child can make)?

•Is your child willing to make a commitment to spending a major portion of the day in one activity or sport?

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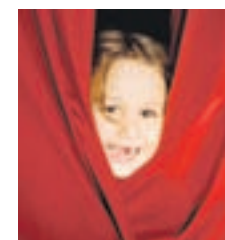
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So fly: Sarah Young and Billy Mulholland of Mulholland's in Williamsburg presented a spicy dry-rubbed wing at the Best of Brooklyn chicken wing competition.

Photo by Stefano Giovannini

WINGED MIGRATION!

Thousands flock to Greenpoint for the ultimate chicken wing contest

By Sarah Zorn

AIN'T no thing but a chicken wing! Such was the case at Sunday's third annual Best Wings in Brooklyn Competition, held at Red Star bar in Greenpoint, where this writer had the considerable pleasure — along with reps from Yelp, the Daily News, Brooklyn Exposed and Food Curated — of judging the chicken-fried goods of some of the most banging wing slingers in the borough.

We were joined by more than 2,000 poultry aficionados — who dutifully waded through an impressive roster of wings that ranged from sweet and saucy (Red Star's Raspberry BBQ), to smoky (Lonestar's Chipotle), to simple and spicy (Life Café's Buffalo), to SoCo sloshed (the Bayou at Bay Ridge's Bean Post Pub).

And although the palates of the crowd proved to be as wide-ranging as the various flavor profiles, all were uniquely united in the end by an unapologetically primal love of wings.

"I think this brings us to our very early human nature — literally ripping flesh from bone," explained Adam Troeder, who travelled from the Upper West Side and waited on a two-hour line for the event. "In a way, I think it's a sophisticated development in our evolutionary process; showing we don't need the aid of tools and utensils to help us with our basic needs."

Newcomer Canarsie contender Brooklyn Wings definitely nailed all of our primary pleasure points — emerging as a sleeper hit to take third place with an organic, Asian-fusion wing.

Second place was a bone of contention for the judges, pitting Mulholland's of Williamsburg's audaciously naked dry-rubbed wing against Bonnie's of Park Slope's traditional, hot-sauce sluiced take.

This judge was duly won over by an acidic squirt of fresh lime that topped Mulholland's entry, but — not willing to stage a reenactment

of 12 Angry Men — eventually let it go. No such battles were waged over the evening's ultimate winner, however, with 2010's inaugural champion — Crown Heights' Super Wings NY — once again flying away with the prize.

"I think people love us because we go real strong with the flavor, marinating the chicken for 24 hours before we even fry it," said owner Colette Burnett of her zesty, meaty, impossibly crisp-tender Caribbean-accented wing with lava sauce.

"I am beyond excited; this is the biggest win for us," she added. "Our business was only five months old when we competed for the first time, so to win again in 2012 is amazing. Brooklyn is the best place in the world, so to be best in Brooklyn — my goodness!"

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TRINI TAMARIND WINGS

Courtesy of Colette Burnett,
Super Wings NY
Makes 35-40 wings

Caribbean-style marinade:

- 1/3 cup fresh thyme leaves
- 1/3 cup garlic cloves
- 1/2 cup chopped scallions
- 1/3 cup chopped fresh cilantro leaves
- 2 tbsp. Cajun seasoning
- 1/4 cup vinegar
- 4 pounds chicken wings

Trini tamarind sauce:

- 2 cups tamarind pulp (soak 1 lb. peeled tamarind fruit in 1 1/2 cups warm water, then sieve to extract seeds and seed coverings).
- 1 cup water
- 1 cup sugar
- 1/3 cup chopped fresh cilantro leaves
- 3 tbsp. salt
- 2 tbsp. pureed garlic
- 1 1/2 tablespoons garam masala
- 1 tsp. ground cumin
- Habanero pepper, or red pepper flakes

Lava sauce:

- 1/4 cup olive oil
- 1 clove garlic
- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 2 tbsp. sugar
- 2 tbsp. paprika
- 2 tbsp. Secret Special 4 pepper blend, or your favorite combination
- Canola or vegetable oil, for frying



Directions:

For the marinade: Puree all the ingredients, except the chicken wings, together in a food processor, and then add to the chicken wings. Marinate the wings for 24 hours.

For the tamarind sauce: Mix all the ingredients into a medium-thick sauce. Refrigerate for one day to allow all the flavors to meld.

For the lava sauce: In a small pot, heat the olive oil and saute the garlic until golden; remove and cool. Add all the other ingredients, combine completely, and refrigerate.

Preheat the oil to 350 degrees F.

Add the chicken wings to the oil and deep fry until they are crispy and golden, about 15 minutes. Remove from the oil and drain.

Transfer the wings to a hot wok and douse with Trini Tamarind Sauce. Saute the wings for one minute in the sauce, remove, and drizzle with Lava Sauce for an extra punch of spicy goodness.

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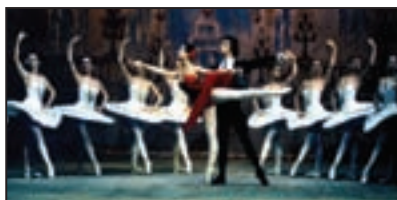
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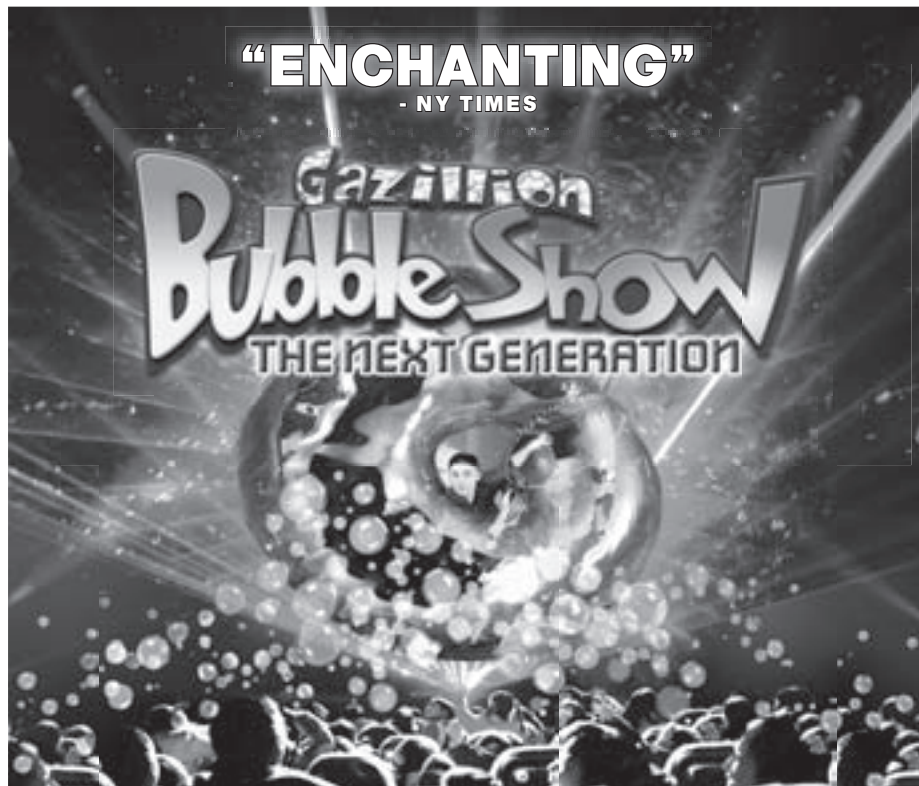
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Cobble Hill resident and master memoirist Nick Flynn will celebrate the nation-wide release of a major motion picture adapted from his smash literary debut on March 3.

"Being Flynn," which stars Paul Dano as Nick Flynn, Robert DeNiro as his father, and Julianne Moore as his mother, and is directed by Paul Weitz, is based on Flynn's 2004 memoir, "Another Bull--- Night in Suck City," that chronicles Flynn's tumultuous relationship with his alcoholic, semi-psychotic estranged father, and the curious trajectory of events that brings them together in a most unexpected way.

And as tough as it was to write such a personal story, Flynn says the process of making it into a Hollywood movie was just as arduous.

"It's like observing a National Geographic special of some foreign culture," said Flynn, of watching world-famous actors play out some of the most painful experiences of his life. "In those seven years, I went through every possible permutation of emotional resonance: there was excitement, terror, a total mindf---, a nightmare; it was really moving."

In fact, the experience was so life-altering that Flynn penned a new book, called "The Reenactments," about the making of the film, and watching his life play out on the silver screen, to be published this fall. The book documents the process of making the film, and the ways in which it heightened Flynn's awareness of what those experience mean.

"Being on set while Robert DeNiro plays your father, I can't think of anyone who's done that," he said. "I was writing all the time, seeing reenactments of moments of my life. Even the darkest moments turned out to be the greatest gifts."

Go see "Being Flynn," in theaters everywhere, on March 2.

**Starting
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— Juliet Linderman

The poetry pros

This isn't your run-of-the-mill, neighborhood poe-jam.

On Mar. 9, BAM is hosting "Poetry 2012: Grand Slam," a night of performances from the country's most talented slam-poets, beat-boxers, and hip-hop artists in a multi-cultural, interdisciplinary extravaganza celebrating the art of the spoken word.

"It will be weird," said poet Joshua Bennett, a Princeton grad student who is performing with the poetic ensemble Striver's Row. "There will be polyphonic type stuff going on. Expect music — it won't be all a cappella."

Hosting the poetic performances will be the all-star duo of Hip-hop duo Baba Israel, an emcee, poet, and beat boxer, who's been featured on MTV, VH1, and BET; and DJ

Reborn, who's performed in live collaborations with The Roots, Common, and India Arie.

"Grand Slam" is a part of Brooklyn Reads, an education program at BAM that teaches students to express themselves through poetry. The event was originally developed to showcase the work of the program's budding poets, but according to BAM's Education Manager, John Foster, the general public caught wind of the poetry reading, and there was enough demand to justify calling in the poetry pros.

The performers hope their audience will walk away with a new appreciation for the craft.

"Some people think that slam poetry is all about guys banging on bongos," said Bennett. "My favorite stuff is a mix of improv theater, stand-up comedy, and storytelling. These spoken word performers are some of the most talented cats out there."

BAM Harvey Theater [651 Fulton St. between Rockwell and Ashland places in Fort Greene, (718) 636-4100] Mar. 9, 7:30 pm. \$10, for info, visit www.bam.org

— Colin Mixson

One way to get lost in art

A Gowanus artist turned her studio into a makeshift travel agency — but instead of selling vacation packages, she gave away mysterious adventures.

Now, Sal Randolph is re-creating the experience of her "Bureau of Unknown Destinations" project online, offering digital, downloadable, do-it-yourself psycho-geography kits.

"I've been giving away tickets in a sealed envelope to people and they don't know where they're going," said Sal Randolph, who founded the "Bureau" in late 2011, as part of Proteus Gowanus's year-long exploration of art-work having to do with migration.

By offering visitors to her studio sealed envelopes containing a train ticket to a destination within two hours of New York City, a train timetable, a notebook to record experiences, and a short assignment (find one word that embodies the environment you visit and write it down, for example), Randolph set out to give New Yorkers a spontaneous experience unlike any other.

"The main thing that giving a gift does is activate an unexpected situation, or a new situation in a person's life," said Randolph, an artist-in-residence at the Union Street arts space. "Gifts make things happen, and I never know what's going to happen. For me, the art happens for the person who is on the trip while they're having his or her experience. In a sense, the person who makes the art is the traveller."

After giving away 100 tickets, Randolph has turned her attention to the wilds of the internet, where she aims to enable travellers both in New York and across the world to "unknow" their own environment and surroundings by participating in an adventure aided by her digital psycho-geography kits.



For her year-long residency, contemporary artist Sal Randolph transformed her studio in Proteus Gowanus into the Bureau of Unknown Destinations, giving away free tickets to an array of adventures across the tri-state area. Now, she's entering the second phase of her project: DIY destination kits.

Photo courtesy of Sal Randolph

The kits don't include a train ticket, but they do contain seven different ways to randomize the experience of travel including a guide to shuffling timetables at train stations; a downloadable sheet of paper that can be folded into a notebook; a set of cards with factoids and information about destinations reachable by train from New York City; and suggestions for adventures for those who can't afford a train ticket out of the city.

"There's a long tradition of experimental art that seeks to get beyond people's habitual ways of being, in hopes of having a fresh experience, and this is very much a part of those traditions," Randolph said. "The unknowing of your destination allows you to put aside your habits of mind and body for a certain period of time; there's a pent up desire for the unknown, and to encounter that little bit of confusion, disorientation, anxiety and excitement and pleasure."

The Bureau of Unknown Destinations at Proteus Gowanus [543 Union St. at Nevins Street in Gowanus, (718) 243-1572]. Saturdays noon-5 pm. For info on psycho-geography kits, visit www.unknowndestinations.org.

— Juliet Linderman

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Brooklyn's orchestra teams up with a literary legend

Who said classical music can't have lyrics?

On March 4, the Brooklyn Philharmonic will team up with legendary wordsmith Phillip Lopate for a concert that will blend the orchestra's Brooklyn-inspired original score and Lopate's lyrical words — as well of those written by some of Brooklyn's most notable literary figures — to weave a musical tapestry that serves as something of a love letter to the borough.

"We're trying to re-imagine the orchestra as a connection point," said Alan Pierson, the recently anointed artistic director of the group, that's already performed with such anti-theatrical figures such as the hip-hop artist Yasiin Bey, (AKA Mos Def) — the philharmonic's new artist-in-residence — in his short tenure. "In

addition to having its own tradition, the orchestra can be very versatile."

Brooklyn-born Lopate, who's penned works of poetry and fiction as well as essays and criticism, will read selections from some of the borough's emblematic texts — Walt Whitman's "Crossing Brooklyn Ferry;" Paul Auster's "The Brooklyn Follies," and his own recent essay, "Brooklyn the Unknowable" — to create a musical landscape that harks back to the Brooklyn of past, and embraces the Brooklyn of present, where artists like the Brooklyn Philharmonic are embracing the borough as the city's creative nucleus.

"It's important to accept that Brooklyn is a changing place, but there is still a lot that is characteristically 'Brooklyn' here," Lopate said in an exclusive interview. "Although



Famed scribe Phillip Lopate has written it all — poetry, novels, essays, criticism — but his collaboration with the Brooklyn Philharmonic will be a first for him.

Photo by Bryan Bruchman

now that Brooklyn is becoming more popular, it's going to have a hard time holding on to its beautiful losers mentality."

A changing borough has chang-

For four nights in March, the Brooklyn Lyceum will be transformed into an infamous coal mining town with a haunted past, thanks to Ugly Rhino Productions, a booze-infused theater company with a penchant for putting on weird shows with tailor-made cocktails to match.

"Centralia: A Nice Place to Live," which opens on March 2 and runs every Friday night for the following four weeks, traverses the lives of nine fictional characters from a real-life ghost town in Pennsylvania that caught fire more than 50 years ago and continues to burn. Throughout the evening, theater-goers will visit six different "houses," set up inside a warehouse space at the Brooklyn Lyceum, each of which occupied by a different character who will deliver an interactive monologue. Additionally, there will be six artisanal cocktails, meant to correspond to each scene and character, that audience members can redeem with tearable tickets printed in their programs.

"The space is this gorgeous raw space that sued to be an old bath house, and we felt like we wanted to do something industrial, about a coal mining town, about Americana, and we started researching," said Ugly Rhino Productions Artistic Director Nicole Rosner, who devised, researched, wrote and directed the production, along with her three partners. "The minute we started reading about it was so extremely fascinating. Mostly the fire and the displacement of everyone, and it wasn't until we visited Centralia that we understood a whole other side of the story."

The production is loosely based on a town situated on top of an anthracite coal vein called Big Buck Vein, that in 1962 caught fire. Because of a network of makeshift mines and holes in the earth, the fire was sucked underneath the ground, and to this day, continues to burn. The play will explore themes of eminent domain, social strife, environmental disaster, small-town ethos and the fire that tore a community apart — all while theater-goers get lightly toasted.

"We are all interested in the same things — a social environment surrounding performance, events that are all-encompassing in terms of theater, music, and a party "vibe," as well as high-quality theater that appeals to a broader audience," Rosner said. "People can go through the space at their own pace and in any order, and they'll be making connections. It's a choose your own adventure performance."

"Centralia: A Nice Place to Live," at the Brooklyn Lyceum [227 4th Ave. at President Street in Park Slope, (718) 857-4816]. March 2nd, 9th, 16th, and 23rd, 8 pm. Tickets, \$25, includes six specialty cocktails. For info, visit www.unglyrhinonyc.com.

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BROOKLYN EATS

TAKE A BITE OUTTA THE BKLYN BRIDGE!

New Downtown sandwich shop serves up open-faced tributes to the borough's beloved national treasure

By Kate Briquetelet

Now's your chance to take a bite out of a national icon!

Maimonide of Brooklyn is dishing out open-faced odes to the Brooklyn Bridge in sandwich form — topping flatbread shaped like the monument's arches with kale, eggplant, horseradish and Moroccan spices.

Just don't call them pizzas. They're MOB's.

"It's been a trial to explain to people what it is," said chef Neal Harden, referring to the whole-wheat mosaics named after the restaurant's initials. "We're constantly tinkering with the menu to make it more interesting."

The Atlantic Avenue vegetarian spot offers an intrepid slew of architectural gluten, including the Iron Man, a blend of shiitake, sautéed kale and horseradish aioli; and the Brave Heart, a bold cocktail of sun-dried tomato, caper and parsley pesto and portobello mushroom.

There's also the Belly Charmer, an arch of eggplant,

zucchini, carrot, pistachio, mint and cilantro.

French hotelier Cyril Aouizerate is the mastermind behind these finger-food delicacies. He created his casual-chic boite in honor of medieval philosopher, Maimonides, who argued that God preferred people to adopt plant-based diets.

Aouizerate, who spends half his time in Paris, decked his cozy enclave with large wooden communal tables, a bright yellow wall with a flag of red, white and blue tiles, and a spot up front for a soulful deejay.

Waiters serve the MOB's, cut into three pieces, on Paris-made silver platters with indents perfectly shaped for the breaded curvature.

"People think it's a novelty," said Joseph Santiago, who works at Maimonide. "They're overwhelmed by the space itself and then you see the food. It's humble — something that's so authentically Brooklyn."

Maimonide of Brooklyn [525 Atlantic Ave. at Third Avenue in Boerum Hill, (718) 797-2555]. For info, visit www.mob-usa.com.



Joseph Santiago shows off the Iron Man and Belly Charmer — two of Maimonide of Brooklyn's open-faced odes to the Brooklyn Bridge. Photo by Bryan Bruchman

RESTAURANT GOSSIP

BY SARAH ZORN

Heard the latest gossip? The second time may not have been a charm in Bay Ridge and Park Slope, but Williamsburg fares extra-well this week with chicken, crack pie, and a building full of edible businesses.

On ice?: There's something funky going on with Hinsch's — the 63-year-old Bay Ridge luncheonette, ice cream parlor and candy shop that unceremoniously closed then unexpectedly reopened again in the span of one month. Grub Street reports that it's on the market again — with realtors asking \$195,000 key money for the \$9,000 lease — although the sources we contacted at the very much open restaurant insist it's not true. Dairy drama!

Got milk: Great news for anyone unwilling to change out of their jammies to satiate a craving for compost cookies and crack pie! The Williamsburg branch of Momofuku Milk Bar now delivers everything from pork buns (all of the fixings come in separate containers), to shakes (cereal milk, banana split and pretzel), to meal deals and party packs (the \$20 Bridgette Jones lets you drown your sorrows in six cookies and six beers, the \$32 Date Night invites you to split two pork or veggie buns, two slices of crack pie, and six beers with your sweetie). Beats the pants off of a midnight bodega raid of Diet Pepsi and Slim Jims.



Now you can get Momofuku's scrumptious pie slices delivered right to your door!

'Till' then: Rest assured, rabid supporters of Tillie's (the beloved, recently shuttered Fort Greene coffeeshop) — the bar and café about to take its place "won't be corporate and it won't be wanker." Thus quoted a certain former Brooklyn Paper editor in his interview with Dominic Tracy — the Aussie owner of the as-yet-unnamed eatery — who promises to "look after the neighborhood" by "not serving takeaway food or coffee before 5pm."

Mix nixed: Talk about a quick turnover! We'd like to say we're surprised to hear that Mix — the half-hearted small plates redux of Park Slope's Mexicali eatery Barrio — has closed after barely one month, but... (clears throat). Here's Park Slope reveals that Casa Ventura — a presumably Spanish spot (hopefully not the small bites kind), is setting up shop on the spacious Seventh Avenue corner.

Funky chicken: Feather Factory is flying into a vacated Park Avenue Luncheonette at 334 Driggs Ave. Get ready, mother pluckers — Williamsburg's first rotisserie chicken joint should be ready to spread its wings come spring.

Lake effect: It's not all good times and crack pie in Williamsburg this week — Eater reports that the well-liked restaurant Masten Lake has closed after only seven months in business. Some readers attribute the shutter to "overpriced, pretentious food," some on the media — giving the lion's share of coverage to nearby neighbor Meatball Shop. Are we to blame for Masten Lake's demise? Discuss.



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Bay Ridge company is community theater at its best

By Camille Sperrazza

Give your regards to Broadway — and say hello to Narrows Community Theater.

Whether you've been dreaming of your own stage debut, or you just appreciate live performances, the Narrows Community Theater is Brooklyn's little shop of artists.



Narrows Community Theater actors Micah Parker and Ashley Harris rehearse for the company's production of "The Unexpected Guest."

The group has been bringing affordable plays to Bay Ridge for 40 years, and doing it all without a stage to call its own. Yet, somehow, the community has always managed to find a space for the company to perform at twice a year, and, more recently, to produce about four or five productions per year, says Ann Gubiotti, board member of the organization.

It has currently partnered with the Fort Hamilton Army Base, where it has been staging its musicals and plays, thanks to Col. Michael Gould, says Gubiotti.

"When he came aboard two years ago, he opened the theater to us," she says.

St. Patrick's Church on Fourth Avenue has also been "wonderful," she says, and it is here that the group will perform its latest production, Agatha Christie's "The Unexpected Guest."

Many of the people who come to the shows have been doing so for years.

"We have a built-in loyal audience who either live or work in the Bay Ridge area," says Gubiotti. "A large portion of the audience is comprised of seniors, and we are happy to provide quality entertainment at a reasonable price."

Of course, the organization welcomes those who have not seen a performance to join the fun, too. And you won't want to miss the chance to see the performers, who are "semi-professionals," says Gubiotti.

"Many have worked off-Broadway, have appeared in commercials, or have had small parts on television shows," she says. But there are others, like Gubiotti, who never acted before joining Narrows Community Theater. "I sang in a local choir; that's all. Ten years ago, I auditioned for a small part in one of the plays, and received on-the-job training."

The lullaby of the stage has lured a few. Three years ago, the organization set up a table at a Brooklyn Cyclone's game and raffled off a walk-on part in the production of "Damn Yankees," says Gubiotti.



The company has been bringing affordable theater to Bay Ridge for nearly 40 years.

"The person who won has been with us since then."

And you don't have to be an actor or actress to be part of the group.

"There are lots of jobs in background work," says Gubiotti, pointing out the importance of props and costumes.

Several members have been around since the organization's inception. Another, Dawn Barry Hansen, is the daughter of one of the original founders. It was Dawn's mother, Maureen Barry, together with David Forsyth, Jim Moakler, and Tony Micari, who started the community theater in 1971. Forsyth served as the first president.

Recently, the organization expanded to allow children to express their creativity. During the summer, children and teenagers are involved in performances, says Gubiotti, introducing them to

a whole new world of acting technique, dance, team work, and the "business of show business."

Those who yearn to be on stage, or behind the scenes, should come to one of the monthly meetings.

"Help us decide what show to put on next," she says.

"The Unexpected Guest" at St. Patrick's Church [9511 Fourth Ave. between 97th and 96th streets in Bay Ridge, (718) 482-3173] March 2 and 3 at 8 pm, March 4 at 3 pm. \$15 for adults, \$12 for seniors, students, and those under 21.

Narrows Community Theater meetings at Shore Hill Community Room [9000 Shore Rd. at 91st Street in Bay Ridge, (718) 482-3173] First Thursday of every month. Call ahead to confirm attendance. For more, visit www.nctheaterny.com.

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The best reads — handpicked by Brooklyn's best booksellers

Who can you always count on when you're in a bind and need a good book? Your neighborhood bookstore, of course, whose employees read all the newest books before you do. That's why we're running this semi-regular column featuring must-reads, handpicked and written about by the staff at some of our favorite independent bookstores in Brooklyn.

The BookMark Shoppe's pick: "Dark Places"

One of the sole advantages to working in a bookstore is receiving ARC's, also known as an "Advance Reader Copy." These are uncorrected proofs sent to stores and media to stir up publicity prior to the release date. I recently finished reading an ARC called "Gone Girl," by Gillian Flynn, which was a nail-biting, edge-of-your-seat thriller. It is the third book Flynn has ever written and I went back to her previous books. I forgot how good "Dark Places" is. If you've ever looked this thriller, definitely give it a second glance. Libby Day, now a grown woman, has never looked back her entire adult life, forgetting the tragedy that shaped who she became. Witnessing the murder of her mother and two sisters, Libby was the sole witness to testify against her own brother. Now, 25 years later, a group dedicated to freeing those wrongly accused forces Libby to relive what exactly happened to her on that long ago night. A great thriller, keeping you guessing until the very last page.

— *Bina Valenzano, co-owner, The BookMark Shoppe [8415 Third Ave. between 84th and 85th streets in Bay Ridge, (718) 833-5115].*

Greenlight's pick: "Lifespan of a Fact"

This book includes both D'Agata's beautiful essay on suicide in Las Vegas and the ridiculously, hilariously intense fact checking Fingal performed for said article. Their arguments over facts both large and small had me laughing out loud and pondering the meaning of truth, art, and the artist's responsibility to his or her audience.

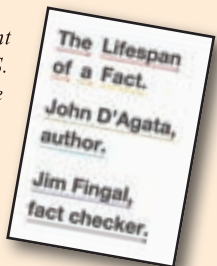
— *Annie Trinza, Greenlight Bookstore [686 Fulton St. between S. Elliott Place and S. Portland Avenue in Fort Greene, (718) 246-0200].*

WORD's pick: "Lifespan of a Fact"

This book will make your brain hurt in the best possible way.

For starters, it's not even really a book -- it's the article D'Agata wrote on the suicide of a Vegas teen, and then seven years' worth of back and forth between him and his factchecker Jim Finlay on what he changed, why he changed it, and whether or not it should stand. It is one of the most crazymaking books I've read in ages (is anything we read in nonfiction/memoir/journalism true?!) and I can't wait for y'all to read it so we can freak out about it together.

— *Jenn Northington, event manager, WORD [126 Franklin St. at Milton Street in Greenpoint, (718) 383-0096].*



WHAT TO DO WHERE TO GO 24 SEVEN

EVENTS

FRI, MARCH 2

TAX HELP: Need help with filing your returns? LIU Brooklyn is offering to prepare forms for seniors, disabled people and low-income families. Appointment necessary. Bring valid photo ID, social security cards for dependents and self; income records including W-2s and 1099s and if possible last year's returns. Free. 10 am–2 pm. Long Island University [DeKalb and Flatbush avenues in Downtown, (718) 780-4062].

TAX PREP: Councilman Domenic Recchia, (D-Coney Island), Food Bank for New York City and The City University of New York invite qualified individuals to a tax prep day. Qualified individuals must bring Photo ID, SS Card or ITIN; W-2s for all jobs held in 2011; 1099-G if you received unemployment in 2011; 100-INT bank account in 2011; 1098 T if you paid tuition; 1098 E if you paid student loan interest; and if you are claiming child care expenses, the amount you paid and child care agency's ID or name and SS number of the babysitter. (Income limits are \$50,000 with dependents and \$18,000 without dependents.) Free. 10 am–5 pm. Gravesend Public Library [303 Ave. X between West First and West Second streets in Gravesend, (718) 894-8060], www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org.

WORKSHOP, YOGA: Instructor Diana Treglia directs seniors in a restorative yoga class. \$15. 1:30pm–3 pm. Kingsborough Community College [2001 Oriental Blvd. at Decatur Avenue in Manhattan Beach, (718) 368-5050], www.kingsborough.edu.

WORKSHOP, FUN FRIDAYS: Children get together with friends and play video games. Free. 4 pm. Eastern Parkway Public Library [1044 Eastern Pkwy. at Kingston Avenue in Crown Heights, (718) 778-9330], www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org.

NEW YEAR GALA: Celebrate the Year of the Dragon with a hot buffet. Free. 7 pm–9:30 pm. New Utrecht High School [1601 80th St. at 16th Avenue in Bensonhurst, (718) 492-0409 X 312].

SAT, MARCH 3

PERFORMANCE

MUSIC, "CAVALLERIA RUSTICANA": An opera double-feature with subtitles and orchestra accompaniment. \$20. 3 pm. Regina Hall [1210 65th St. at 12th Avenue in Dyker Heights, (718) 259-2772], www.reginaopera.org.

OTHER

TAX HELP: State Sen. Marty Golden is sponsoring income tax preparation for seniors; by appointment only. Free. 9 am–11:30 am. District office [7408 Fifth Ave. at 74th Street in Bay Ridge, (718) 238-6044].

WORKSHOP, HEALTH EDUCATION: Family-to-Family is designed for families, of persons with serious mental illnesses. The course covers info on schizophrenia, mood disorders, panic disorder and obsessive compulsive disorder. The course is led by June Rodrigues and Shelly Eisenhart and is for family

members, not persons suffering from the disorders. Presented by NAMI East Flatbush, Inc. Free. 10 am–12:30 pm. Kings County Hospital Center [451 Clarkson Ave. between New York Avenue and E. 34th Street in Prospect Lefferts Gardens, (718) 512-5269].

TAX HELP: 10 am–2 pm. See Friday, March 2.

GRAND OPENING: Come visit the Stork for a change of pace. The children's boutique is finally opening and the day promises music, light refreshments, and scrumptious cupcakes. 10 am–6 pm. Stork [726 Franklin Ave. between Park and Sterling places in Crown Heights, (347) 614-8648].

BLOOD DRIVE: The Aviators Hockey Club and the American Red Cross sponsor the drive. Walk-ins welcome. All donors eligible to enter a daily drawing to win a \$50 Red Cross reward. Free. 10 am–4 pm. Aviator Sports and Events Center [3159 Flatbush Ave. (800) 733-2767], https://www.redcrossblood.org.

CITIZENSHIP PREP: For immigrants planning on applying for US citizenship. Registration required. Free. 10:30 am–1:30 pm and 1:30–4:30 pm. Prospect Park YMCA [357 Ninth St. at Fifth Avenue in Park Slope, (718) 768-7100], www.ymcanyc.org.

KIDS CAFE: Dancewave presents its annual Goes to College festival which features performances by student choreographers, national university dance departments and Dancewaves pre-professional dance company. \$20 (\$15 students with id; \$12 children under 12). 3–5 pm. Kumble Theater at Long Island University [DeKalb and Flatbush avenues in Downtown, (718) 488-1624], www.kumbletheater.org.

WORKSHOP, JEWELRY CLASS: Nkrumah Jennings of Anu Rock and Metal Jewelry teaches metal crafting techniques involving cutting, twisting and shaping metal into unique pieces of wearable art. \$75 (Plus \$20 materials fee). 4–7 pm. Gumbo [493 Atlantic Ave. between Nevins Street and Third Avenue in Boerum Hill, (718) 855-7808].

SUN, MARCH 4

PERFORMANCE

MUSIC, CONTEMPORARY CONCERT: Klea Blackhurst and Bill Stritch perform the songs of Hoagy Carmichael. \$25. 3 pm. Kingsborough Community College [2001 Oriental Blvd. at Decatur Avenue in Manhattan Beach, (718) 368-5596], www.onstageatkingsborough.org.

MUSIC, CONCERT: Grammy award winner Billy Stritch performs selections from the Mel Torme Songbook. \$25. 3 pm. Kingsborough Community College [2001 Oriental Blvd. at Decatur Avenue in Manhattan Beach, (718) 368-5000], www.kingsborough.edu.

MUSIC, "CAVALLERIA RUSTICANA": 3 pm. See Saturday, March 3.

OTHER

WORKSHOP, DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE: Attendees get a 10 percent reduction on their premium and a possible removal of four points from driver's record. Reservations required. \$45. 9:30 am. Marine Park

Jewish Center [3311 Ave. S at Fillmore Avenue in Marine Park, (718) 891-3776].

PURIM CARNIVAL: Children's rides, clowns, carnival games, arts and crafts, costume contest and free giveaways with Hamantaschen, kosher food, music and lots of fun. Free. 11 am–2 pm. Kingsbay YM-YWHA [3496 Nostrand Ave. at Avenue W in Sheepshead Bay, (718) 648-7703], http://www.kingsbay.org.

KIDS CAFE: 3 pm–5 pm. See Saturday, March 3.

WORKSHOP, AI CHI: Led by instructor Moya Mclellan seniors learn water based exercises to strengthen and relax. \$15. 3:15–4:15 pm. Kingsborough Community College [2001 Oriental Blvd. at Decatur Avenue in Manhattan Beach, (718) 368-5050], www.kingsborough.edu.

MON, MARCH 5

WORKSHOP, COMPUTER BASICS: Adults learn basic skills. No experience necessary. Free. 1 pm. Eastern Parkway Public Library [1044 Eastern Pkwy. at Kingston Avenue in Crown Heights, (718) 778-9330], www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org.

BEGINNER'S ESL: Students learn basic structure and vocabulary and communicating in English. Registration required. Free. 6:15 to 9:15 pm. Prospect Park YMCA [357 Ninth St. at Fifth Avenue in Park Slope, (718) 768-7100], www.ymcanyc.org.

BINGO NIGHT: Bring your luck. \$3. 6:45 pm. St. Columba RC Church - Auditorium [2245 Kimball St. Avenue U and Avenue V in Marine Park, (718) 338-6265].

MUSIC, TURKUAZ RESIDENCY AT BROOKLYN BOWL: Free. 7 pm. Brooklyn Bowl [61 Wythe Ave. between N. 11th and N. 12th streets in Williamsburg, (718) 963-3369], www.brooklynbowl.com.

TALK, AFTER 1989 — RACE AFTER MULTICULTURALISM: Featuring Roberto Bedoya, Harold Augenbraum, Ego Trip Magazine, Das Racist and Latoya Peterson. Free. 7 pm. PowerHouse Arena [37 Main St. at Water Street in DUMBO, (718) 666-3049], www.powerhouse-arena.com.

READING, A DISCUSSION WITH ARMCHAIR/SHOTGUN: Featuring Halimah Marcus, Paul Morris, Erin Harris, Eva Ratliff and Anna Knoebel. Free. 7:30 pm. Greenlight Bookstore [686 Fulton St. between S. Elliott Place and S. Portland Avenue in Fort Greene, (718) 246-0200], greenlightbookstore.com.

TUES, MARCH 6

BINGO NIGHT: 11 am. See Monday, March 5.

WORKSHOP, ENGLISH CONVERSATION: Adults practice conversational speech. Free. 1 pm. Coney Island Public Library [1901 Mermaid Ave. at West 19th Street in Coney Island, (718) 265-3220], www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org.

BEGINNER'S ESL: 6:15 to 9:15 pm. See Monday, March 5.

READING, SINGLES GOING STEADY: Join N+1 magazine and writers Eric Klinenberg, Kate Bolick and Daniel Smith for an evening of discussions about living single. free. 7 pm. PowerHouse Arena [37 Main St. at Water Street in DUMBO, (718) 666-3049], www.powerhouse-arena.com.

WED, MARCH 7

WORKSHOP, HOMEWORK HELP: Children get after school help with assignments. Free. 4:30 pm.

Eastern Parkway Public Library [1044 Eastern Pkwy. at Kingston Avenue in Crown Heights, (718) 778-9330], www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org.

WORKSHOP, TANGO LESSONS: For adults and youngsters interested in ballroom dancing. No experience and no partners necessary. Sponsored by the FIAO Beacon program. Pre-registration for youngsters required. Free. 6 pm–9 pm. IS 96 [99 Ave. P at W. 11th Street in Bensonhurst, (718) 232-2266].

BEGINNER'S ESL: 6:15 to 9:15 pm. See Monday, March 5.

READING, KEVIN YOUNG: Author of "The Grey Album: On the Blackness of Blackness". free. 7 pm. PowerHouse Arena [37 Main St. at Water Street in DUMBO, (718) 666-3049], www.powerhousearena.com.

THURS, MARCH 8

WORKSHOP, ENGLISH CONVERSATION: 1 pm. See Tuesday, March 6.

WORKSHOP, CROCHET: Adults meet every week and work on their projects. 2 pm. Midwood Public Library [975 E. 16th St. between Avenues J and I in Midwood, (718) 252-0967], www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org.

READING, BEN MARCUS: The author discusses his book "The Flame Alphabet." Free. 4:30 pm. St. Francis College [180 Remsen St., between Court and Clinton streets in Brooklyn Heights, (718) 489-5200].

TAX HELP: 6–8 pm. See Saturday, March 3.

BEGINNER'S ESL: 6:15 pm–9:15 pm. See Monday, March 5.

READING, LESLIE EPSTEIN: Author of "Liebestod: Opera Buffa with Leib Goldkorn." Free. 7 pm. PowerHouse Arena [37 Main St. at Water Street in DUMBO, (718) 666-3049], www.powerhouse-arena.com.

FRI, MARCH 9

TAX HELP: 10 am–2 pm. See Friday, March 2.

WORKSHOP, FUN FRIDAYS: 4 pm. See Friday, March 2.

PENNY AUCTION: Fundraiser for IS 187, the Christa McAuliffe Intermediate School. \$25. 7 pm. IS 187 [1171 65th St. at 11th Avenue in Dyker Heights, (718) 236-3394 X1151].

SAT, MARCH 10

PERFORMANCE

MUSIC, "CAVALLERIA RUSTICANA": 3 pm. See Saturday, March 3.

OTHER

TAX HELP: 9 am–11:30 am. See Saturday, March 3.

SYMPOSIUM: The 16th annual event focuses on women reinventing themselves with keynote speaker Rosemary Bova. Admission includes continental breakfast and writing journal. \$10. 9 am. Sirico's Restaurant [8023 13th Ave. at 79th Street in Dyker Heights, (718) 748-1234], www.bwsnyc.com.

TALK, THE FUTURE OF THE EURO: Lecture led by Dr. Will Milberg of the New School. Free. 9:30 am–1 pm. St. Francis College [180 Remsen St., between Court and Clinton streets in Brooklyn Heights, (718) 489-5200].

TAX HELP: 10 am to 2 pm. See Friday, March 2.

CITIZENSHIP PREP: 10:30 am–1:30 pm and 1:30–4:30 pm. See Saturday, March 3.

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● 'It's really cool knowing that I stepped up.'

— Kearney senior Allison Gasparino

Railsplitters fall to St. Anthony, 51-45

BY ZACH BRAZILLER

The Lincoln Railsplitters were back in top form last week, but they still weren't able to best St. Anthony, who beat the Coney Island squad 51-45.

Displaying poise, fight, and defensive prowess, the Railsplitters nearly upset the undefeated St. Anthony at the Jersey City Recreational Center.

The St. Anthony Friars, ranked No. 3 in the country by USA Today, held off Lincoln's furious late rally — extending its unbeaten streak to an incredible 56 games.

The Coney Island dynamo, meanwhile, has now lost five of six, though the Railsplitters (17-8) left the center a confident bunch — confident that the team will be healthy and effective for the upcoming Public School Athletic League Class AA playoffs and assuring fans that they will be able to beat anyone if they can reproduce Tuesday's all-encompassing performance.

"It was probably our best game," Lincoln coach Dwayne "Tiny" Morton said. "We completed every play, especially in the second half. It's confidence for the kids. They feel they can play with any team in the country. It's a loss, but it's not a loss to end our season."

Ethan Telfair had 11 points and eight assists for Lincoln, Tafari Whittingham followed with 10 points, and Travis Charles had seven. Jerome Frink paced St. Anthony with 14 points and Josh Brown and Kyle Anderson, the Uni-



GIVING HIS ALL: Lincoln's Isaiah Whitehead had five points and six rebounds in his first game after a left ankle injury.

Photo by An Rong Xu

versity of California Los Angeles recruit, tallied 10 apiece.

In his return from a three-game absence because of a sprained left ankle, Whitehead scored five points and grabbed six rebounds. He lacked his usual explosion off the dribble and lift on his jump shot. But he said his ankle felt fine for the most part, aside

from the expected "aches" he anticipated.

"It got much better since the Boys and Girls game," he said, referring to the game he sustained the injury. "I was curious how it would feel running up and down the court, guarding people."

St. Anthony was in control much of the way. It led 29-19 at halftime and by as

much as 37-23 early in the fourth quarter. Lincoln never lost its focus, especially on the defensive end, and began chipping away at the lead. Telfair, the junior point guard, created havoc with his dribble penetration and spearheaded a 10-1 run with five points and two assists. His drive and dish to Whittingham brought the Railsplitters within 47-45 with 38 seconds remaining.

"He played a wonderful game today," Morton said. "He controlled the game."

The Friars responded with four free throws down the stretch, Telfair was tied up on a drive into the lane and Rakim Lesane missed a 3-pointer, sealing the loss.

It was Telfair's finest performance since mid-December when he emerged in a pair of league victories over South Shore and Thomas Jefferson with Whitehead inactive. The two were together last Tuesday and Whitehead settled into the background as Telfair nearly led the comeback.

"Ethan took over the show," Whitehead said. "I didn't want to interfere with him."

The Railsplitters left the Garden State with a hop in their step, disappointed with the loss but proud of how they performed on a big stage.

"We stayed focused, we stayed together," Telfair said. "When we were down 14, we came back. We didn't get down. It shows we're a tough team when we're together mentally. If we play like this, we can be the best team in the city."



CROWNING ACHIEVEMENT: Boys and Girls HS's track team celebrates its first city title since 1998. Photo by William Thomas

Boys & Girls HS wins track crown

BY JOSEPH STASZEWSKI

The Boys and Girls High School Kangaroos leapt ahead of the competition on Saturday, taking the Boys Indoor Track Championship — even as a national record holder in the 600 and 500 meter race was breathing down a Kangaroo's neck.

Boys and Girls senior Robert Rhodes said he could feel racing phenom Strymar Livingston trying to push past him on multiple occasions during the 1000 meter race.

"I wasn't going to let him by," Rhodes said.

Livingston made his first move down the back straightway, but Rhodes maintained the lead. He went again in the straightaway and appeared to take a slight lead with 50 meters to go, but Rhodes was able to fight him off. Livingston had already won the 600 meter race in a time of 1:17.99, despite not warming up properly.

"He doesn't have the record for no reason," Rhodes said. "I just tried my best to hold him off. In the last lap, I was scared. I knew he was going to

come, but I wasn't letting it happen."

Added Livingston: "I know I was going to get pushed. The six took a lot out of me."

Rhodes won the race in two minutes and 30.76 seconds Livingston was second in two minutes and 30.83 seconds — a few 10ths of a second that helped the Kangaroos earn their first city title since 1998. Boys and Girls tallied 69 points and DeWitt Clinton was second with 30 points. Truman placed third with 28 points.

Kangaroos coach Amateka Morgan called his team a great group of young men.

"It's so emotional for me personally," Rhodes said. "I've been here for four years and I know the history of this school. To hear about all the things that people did that were so great, I didn't just want to hear about it. I wanted to become a part of that history."

Rhodes was also a member of the relay that won with teammates Dar-

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Nazareth wins for coach

Kingsmen beat Christ the King 68-58 in make-up game

BY JOSEPH STASZEWSKI

Nazareth dished out some payback that was months in the making.

The Lady Kingsmen defeated the Christ the King Royals 68-58 on Feb. 21 as they made good on a promise that they would make up a game cancelled following beloved coach Apache Paschall's death.

Junior guard Sadie Edwards, wearing socks that said "I Love Haters," certainly did her part by turning in one of her best performances of the season. She poured in 21 of her 28 points in the first half and might have had more had she not gotten into foul trouble in the third quarter. When Christ the King got within eight with less than three minutes to play in the game she converted a layup in transition and hit her third 3-pointer of the night to seal the win.

"When she is aggressive offensively and defensively it only makes us that much better," Nazareth co-coach Lauren Best said of Edwards.

In the days following Paschall's death on Jan. 3, the administrations of both Christ the King and Bishop Ford declined to play games against the Lady Kingsmen. Both presidents said it was too soon and Christ the King was under the assumption Paschall would be buried the day of its game with Nazareth.

Bishop Ford was scheduled to play Nazareth on Jan. 5 and Christ the King's game was to be Jan. 7, which was slated to be part of Nazareth's Homecoming.

Players, coaches and administrators at Nazareth all wanted the games to go on, feeling like that is what Paschall wanted. Grief counselors at the school said it would even be good therapy for the girls to get back on the court. The two teams have met Nazareth since and the nationally ranked Lady Kingsmen won both in blowout fashion, saying they were mo-



DOING IT FOR APACHE: Nazareth's Sadie Edwards scored 28 points in a win over Christ the King.

Photo by Denis Gostev

tivated by a show of disrespect.

Make up games were ordered, and Nazareth fell to Bishop Ford on Feb. 18 — setting the fire in their bellies needed to take Christ the King on.

Nazareth began last Tuesday's game on to a 14-2 run, capped by consecutive Edwards treys. Christ the King didn't have

a field goal until a Calhoun jumper with 1:30 left in the first quarter. The Royals inched within six in the second quarter, trailed by 11 at the half and got within 59-51 with 3:08 left in the game thanks to six straight points from Calhoun.

Christ the King coach Bob Mackey felt his team showed growing maturity by continuing to battle and

credited Nazareth with making big shots down the stretch.

"We would come down and shoot ourselves in the foot," he said. "We would turn the ball over at the most inopportune time. It's going to be a fun tape to watch. I think we could have been completely blown out of the park, but we kept coming back."

Kearney player breathing easy

BY JOSEPH STASZEWSKI

Bishop Kearney hoops star Allison Gasparino wasn't going to let a little thing like asthma get her down.

It had been a problem in the past for the senior guard, limiting her to three and four-minute spurts. But new medication resolved that issue, created a new one for opponents, and led her to be named New York City's top girls basketball breakout player in a recent NY-Post.com poll.

Bishop Kearney coach Rocco Sellitto knew Gasparino was going to be a contributor on the court this season. He just didn't know how much and for how long.

"When [the asthma] disappeared it was, alright let's see what happens," Sellitto said. "On top of the fact that she was able to give us some minutes, she has given us quality minutes."

Gasparino's play has been a pleasant and much needed surprise for the Bishop Kearney Tigers this season. A bench player a year ago, she is the team's leading scorer on most nights. Even in games where her scoring numbers aren't high, her defense and rebounding have been invaluable. She poured in 22 points and grabbed eight rebounds in a loss to St. Joseph Hill and 13 points and six boards to help Kearney beat Petrides.

"I get nervous a lot, but it's really nice knowing that I am able to step up and do it for the team," Gasparino said.

It's for that reason she was voted New York City's top girls basketball breakout player in last week's poll. Gasparino tallied 11,993 votes — good enough for 36.33 percent of the votes cast. She said her mom kept telling her to make sure people were voting and that her family in Amityville was actively giving her support. Gasparino, who finished second in the best non-AA player



TOP SHOT: Allison Gasparino of Bishop Kearney was voted New York City's top breakout girls basketball player. Photo by Robert Cole

poll earlier this year, pushed by Rachel Lander late. The Horace Mann forward earned 10,708 votes or 32.44 percent. St. Francis Prep guard Veronica Ganzi was third with 6,875 votes and 20.83 percent.

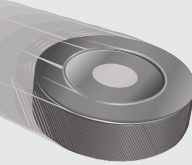
"I was really excited," Gasparino said of winning. "I was at my friend's house and my mom called me and told me I won. I was pretty much with my whole team at the time. They were all really excited for me."

Kearney ended the regular season 13-10 and 10-2 in its first season in Catholic High School Athletic Association Brooklyn/Queens Division II. The Tigers won the regular-season title and will be the top seed when the playoffs start next week. Gasparino talked about her and her team possibly making a push for a diocesan and eventually a Catholic High School Athletic Association Class B state title and a trip to Albany.

"We really hope that we are able to make it that far," she said.

The usually reserved Gasparino was an unlikely leader. Sellitto believes she already had the respect of her teammates because of how hard she worked. Her breakout season has only allowed them to rally around her even more.

"I'm kind of used to it now," Gasparino said. "It's really cool knowing that I stepped up this year."



Aviators are soaring into the playoffs

The embattled Brooklyn scrappers win three straight, move into fourth place

BY COLIN MIXSON

The Brooklyn Aviators fought their way to a fourth place perch in the Federal Hockey League on Sunday by literally beating the Danville Dashers during a bloody 4-2 slug-fest in Illinois.

Overall, it was a winning week for the A's — starting with the annihilation of the Akwesasne warriors last Thursday.

The Brooklyn Aviators destroyed the hated Warriors, slapping home an impressive 7-1 victory against the Canadian ice cutters at the Hangar.

Brooklyn's rousing triumph brought an end to the team's woe-ful four-game losing skid: the A's fell to the Danbury Whalers on Feb. 10 before suffering three defeats last week — twice at the hands of Akwesasne and once to the New Jersey Outlaws.

The week's two remaining matches saw Brooklyn hobble the prancing Dashers from Danville — the lowest ranked team in the Federal Hockey League.

Brooklyn ran roughshod over the Dashers on Saturday, earning an easy 8-3 victory in Illinois.

Sunday's match was more of a street fight than a hockey game, although — between dodging punches — the A's managed to knock in a few goals to earn a 4-2 win in Illinois.

Two fights broke out seven minutes into the first frame on Sunday, only to be followed by an

out-and-out brawl five minutes before the final buzzer between four Aviators and four Dashers.

Aviators coach Bob Miller said the fisticuffs was about payback — with a bit of theatrics sprinkled in.

"The fight was a carry over from Saturday's match that got heated up on Sunday," Miller explained. "It was frustration on [the Dashers] part, but it was also their last home game. They wanted to put on a bit of a show and one of our guys fell into the trap."

The back-to-back victories elevates the A's to the Federal Hockey League's fourth-ranked spot, which, ironically, was held by the Warriors, who stole the revered Commissioner Cup from the Aviators during last year's playoffs

Hopefully, the A's will fly into this weekend — the final round of regular season matches — with high spirits. If the Aviators can sweep the field and win all four games, they have the chance to move up to the third spot in Federal Hockey League standings, which would net them the home field advantage going into the playoffs, according to Miller. "We've beaten every team in the league," said Miller. "We can play everybody and we play them tight. You never know, the playoff series is only a couple of games."

The Brooklyn Aviators will



FIGHTING THEIR WAY TO THE PLAYOFFS:The Brooklyn Aviators schooled the Danville Dashers — twice — last week, the second victory coming amid a series of fights instigated by the prancing Dashers, who were fed up after losing their last two home games to the A's.

Photo by Steve Solomonson

return to the Aviator Sports and Events Center [3159 Flatbush Ave. in Floyd Bennett Field in Marine Park, (718) 758-7580] on March 2 to battle the Danbury Whalers. Tickets are \$12 (\$10 for seniors and children under 14) For more info, visit www.BrooklynAviators.com.

Track

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ryl Williams Jr., Javaun Grant and Richard Rose in eight minutes and 12.43 seconds. The freshman Rose, on his birthday, was also a member of the first-place squad that included Joel Johnson, Curtley Renwick and Neborth Wickham that won in three minutes and 23.83 seconds. Teammates Kerwyn Sutton, Grant, Williams Jr., and Rhodes were

second in three minutes and 25.35 seconds.

Rose was second in the 600 in one minute and 20.97 seconds, a time believed to be close to the freshman national record.

"Just the fact that they are happy, I'm good," Rose said of his seniors. "I've got three more years of this. Next year we are doing it again."

But Dellon Peters will not celebrate like this again. After finishing the 55-meter dash he ran

across the other competitors with his arms in an X and then raised them in what he thought was a victory. Yet it was Tyquan Dukes of Erasmus Hall that actually got to enjoy a win in a time of 6.49 seconds on a lean. Peters was second in 6.50 seconds. It was Dukes' first race in nearly two months after not practicing because of shin splints and a hamstring injury.

"I knew I was going to win, I just had to get out

good and pump," Dukes said. "I knew I passed him, so it's cool."

Midwood's Andy Nicholas was overjoyed with his 300-meter win in a personal best time of 34.23 seconds, holding off Truman's Jason Tomlinson (34.23 seconds). Transit Tech's Andre Hewitt was the 55 hurdles champ in 7.61 seconds and Stuyvesant's Konrad Surkont took home the 1600-meter crown in four minutes and 19.19 seconds on his

birthday. Teammate Jack Stevenson surged late and was the 3200 champ with a time of nine minutes and 32.78 seconds and earned his first-ever berth at the state championships.

"I feel like I have been falling in Konrad's footsteps for a while and I would like to keep doing it," Stevenson said.

Ackeeem Lawrence, South Shore's anchor leg, allowed his squad of Kevin Morency, Chris Lewis, and Alexandre Candio hold off

Truman to win the 4-by-200 relay in one minute and 31.36 seconds.


Susan Wagner's Benjamin Ezike was the star of the field events, winning the long jump with a leap of 23 feet, 3 inches and the triple jump. Michael Hall Jr. of Truman as the high jump champ in 6-02 and was second in the long jump. Jevon Prince of Jefferson took home the shot put crown (52-05.50) and Jeremy Jones of McKee Tech won the pole vault.

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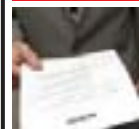
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Adults go back to school for a variety of reasons. They may have personal accomplishment goals or their motivation could be purely financial. Unemployment has recently led many individuals back to the classroom. Many colleges and universities report that re-entry or adult students are the new majority on campus. Adults ages 25 to 69 are increasingly enrolling in courses around the country. But going back to school is a serious undertaking. Not only is it an investment of time, but it is also an investment of money. If you're thinking about going back to school, first ask yourself these questions.

•Is now the right time? Those going back to school because they think it might provide better job prospects or yield higher salaries could be mistaken. Many employers are cutting continuing-education grants and scaling back on hires with advanced degrees. That's because companies are feeling the heat of the recession as well. Advanced degrees generally mean having to pay an employee a higher salary, something many companies are not in a position to do right now. Therefore, an advanced degree might prove a hindrance in today's job market and not become the financial windfall some students expect. If this is the case, delaying an advanced degree for a few years may be a more financially sound idea.

•What are your goals? Individuals need to examine their long- and short-term goals regarding education. Goals should include whether time is available to complete the degree. Some degrees can take months or years to finish, depending on how many credits a person already has. Is the goal to receive a completely different degree and begin a new career? If so, put it down on paper so you have a definite goal in sight.

•Are the finances available? Attending school is no small undertaking. Whether a public, private, or online school, tuition can cost several thousand dollars per year. Tests taken to be accepted to school can cost money, and books will be needed for coursework. If money is tight right now, continuing school may not be the best option, especially if high-interest loans are the only viable means to continuing education. However, if the finances are there and school won't detract from other bills, then school might be the right choice.

•What is the right school? Those who have a full-time job can look into a school that offers evening or weekend classes. Many schools now offer online courses that allow individuals to take classes remotely. There is a growing interest in schools that specifically specialize in online degrees. Such schools enable students to take classes on their own time and complete assignments in a manner that's less time-specific. Continuing students who may not have a spouse or children can move around to the school of choice. Once again, finances figure to play a major role when deciding on a school.

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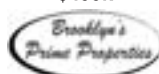
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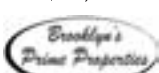
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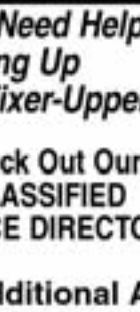

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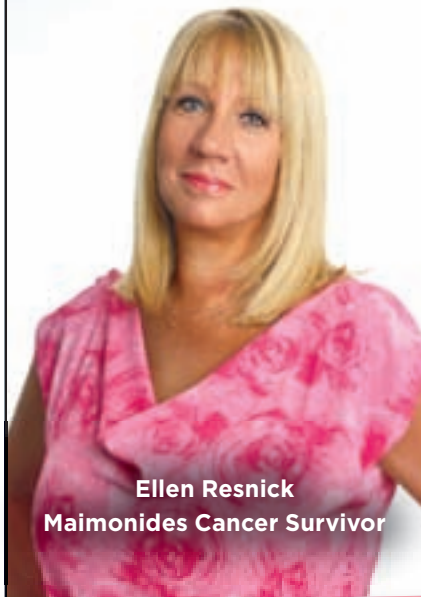


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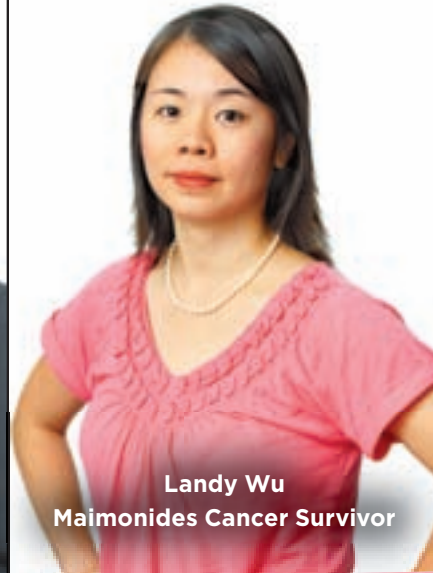
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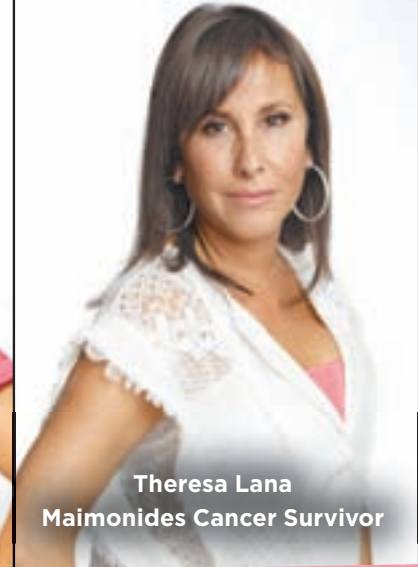
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