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# Brooklyn digs out from Sandy Borough's death toll hits 7 Southern areas bear brunt

he waters have receded, the power is coming back on, and the trains are starting to run again — but life in Brooklyn remains far from normal.

Hurricane Sandy's destructive force claimed seven lives and left thousands homeless, 22,000 still without electricity as of press time, and the rest of the borough facing a long, arduous road to recovery.

The storm hit Coney Island, Brighton Beach, Manhattan Beach, and Sheepshead Bay the hardest, with the beloved shops and amusements of the People's Playground, the bungalows and high rises of Little Odessa, and the historic businesses of Emmons Avenue suffering major blows.

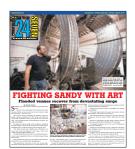
Red Hook and DUMBO are also in bad shape, with merchants, artists, and residents still picking up the pieces.

But since the wind died down, Brooklynites have banded together to begin the long process of rebuild-

The only lines that rivaled the gas queues were those of borough residents waiting to volunteer.

Read more about the catastrophic storm and Brooklyn's efforts to recover inside.

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# NSIDE NOTHING BUT NETS!

Brooklyn triumphs in borough's first major-league home game since 1957

### BY ELI ROSENBERG

The Nets kicked off a new era with a victory over the Toronto Raptors in the first major-league home game in Brooklyn since 1957 — providing a moment of respite for a borough still reeling from Hurricane Sandy.

The Nets bounced back from an early first quarter deficit, riding a 27-point performance by center Brook Lopez to a 107-100 win — a victory that whipped fans in the newly minted arena into a frenzy, chanting "Brooklyn!" as the clock wound down.

Hoops fans in the soldout crowd of 17,732 said the experience was everything they hoped it would be.

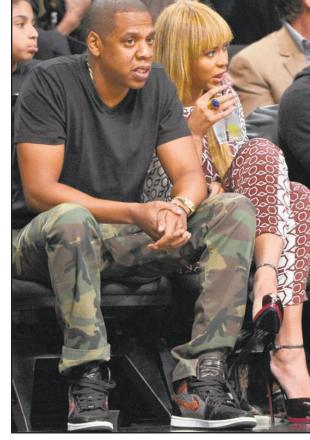
"It's so good to be here," said Bill Donlon, a Nets fan who trekked to the game from Long Island. "This was awesome.'

The match-up became the Nets opener after Mayor Bloomberg canceled the team's much-hyped debut against cross-river rivals the New York Knicks last Thursday following the storm.

There was a sprinkling of empty seats on the first level of the arena — not a pretty sight on opening night, but not altogether unsurprising with limited train access entering the borough and gas lines wrapped around service stations across the region.

The stadium drew rave reviews from even those whose livelihoods had been directly affected by Hurricane Sandy.

"I'm so proud to have been here for the first game," said Rick Mast, who runs the artisanal choco-



**NETTING A WIN:** (Clockwise from above) Rapper and Barclays Center investor Jay-Z and his superstar wife Beyonce had great seats at the Nets home opener. Point guard Deron Williams racked up 19 points and dished out nine assists in the Nets win. The jump ball was a moment Brooklyn's basketball fans have waited years to see.

Photos by Paul Martinka

late factory Mast Brothers in Williamsburg with his brother, Michael.

"Even though there was a hurricane, this victory was very sweet for us," said the chocolatier, whose business suffered some damage at a Manhattan location during the storm. "It's something that brings the community together."

Mast's bearded visage appeared on the JumboTron during a dance break to great cheers.

NBA commissioner David Stern and Borough President Marty Markowitz tipped off the night with speeches before the jump

"Brooklyn-style basketball is here," said Markowitz. flanked by two Nets dancers. "How ... sweet ... it ... is!"

And Jay-Z made his





mark on the game, from his courtside seats right next to the Nets bench with Beyonce, to the snippets of his songs that burst out between plays.

He sported high-end Nike Air Jordan I Custom "Brooklyn Zoo" sneakers one of 10 pairs in existence

- made from much of the animal kingdom, including elephant, ostrich, boa, crocodile, python, calf, lizard, alligator, and stingray.

The event went off largely without a hitch. though some fans complained about speaker problems.



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TRAIN PAIN: These straphangers just want to get back to Brooklyn, but cops only let a limited number of passengers on each J train departing from Manhattan to reduce crowding.

# STORM OF THE CENTURY W'burg's commuting nightmare

### BY DANIELLE FURFARO

The G train is rolling again — but getting around North Brooklyn is still a nightmare with the L train out of commission in Williamsburg and Bushwick and the J train jam-packed with commuters.

Metropolitan Transportation Authority restored G service between Kensington and Queens on Wednesday morning, ten days after the agency pulled all trains off the

rails citywide in anticipation of Hurricane Sandy.

The crucial one-seat link between North and Brownstone Brooklyns returned after protests from commuters and politicians, who claimed restoration of the line was especially necessary with the L train terminating at Broadway Junction — a route alteration that pushed all Manhattan-bound commuters onto the J line.

"Everything is messed

up here," said Chris Henderson, a Greenpoint resident who commutes to Bushwick on buses that are crammed with commuters or stuck behind gas-line traffic. "It's impossible to get anywhere."

Without the L train ferrying commuters to and from Manhattan, crowds on rush-hour J trains were so bad that police officers have been keeping the peace at the Delancey Street station in Manhattan and only allowing a certain number of straphangers to enter each Brooklyn-bound train.

Commuters say relief will come when the L train returns - and the MTA claims it has been hard at work on the line.

Agency employees have been "working around the clock to pump seawater out of the L train's tunnel under the East River," according to the agency's Flickr page.

# Fairway a ways off

### BY NATALIE MUSUMECI

Don't expect to find organic kale, artisan cheeses, or Greek yogurt in Red Hook any time soon.

Fairway Market shoppers may have to wait up to three months before the superstorm-battered gourmet chain reopens following severe flooding in Hurricane

"There was a tremendous amount of water damage and equipment damage, floor damage," said Fairway spokesman Bruce Bobbins. "The damage was just extensive."

The storm ravaged the supermarket at the foot of Van Brunt St., inundating the first floor with several feet of water.

The surge was so vicious that store officials predict it will take between six and 12 weeks to clear out the tainted foods, right the toppled shelving, clean up the filthy debris, and restock.

That's a long time for Red Hook residents to be without the neighborhood's beloved grocery store, said Community Board 6 district manager Craig Ham-

"The fact that they are closed and there are a lot of hungry people in the community is sad and disturbing," said Hammer-

"Fairway was providing



SHOP DROPPED: Sandy didn't just damage Fairway's interior - it ripped the door off its Photo by Paul Martinka

Brooklynites.

Fairway Market and Van Brunt Street's Hometown Restaurant teamed up to fill the bellies of more than 300 Brooklynites whose lives have been uprooted by Sandy, which left many locals without power, heat, or running water days after the storm.

Locals had their choice of a barbecue feast of pork and beef ribs, whole beef briskets, and pork shoulders, at 454 Van Brunt St. on Tuesday.



CLEANUP ON AISLE FIVE: Workers are surveying the damage and cleaning inside Fairway in Red Hook after Hurricane Sandy tore through last week.

## an essential link to healthy foods that the neighborhood wasn't known for before they arrived — their absence is noticeable," he

Despite the lengthy closure, store officials say they will continue to employee all of the workers from the shuttered Red Hook location.

"All 350 employees have been transferred to other Fairway Market stores and we are running shuttle buses from Red Hook on an hourly basis for these employees to get to the other locations," said Bobbins.

"No one has been laid

You can't shop at Fairway for now - but that doesn't mean the grocery store isn't working to feed

# Occupy Wall Street preoccupied with Sandy relief

### BY DANIELLE FURFARO

Occupy Wall Street is now occupied with helping Hurricane Sandy victims.

The demonstrators who rallied in Zuccotti Park have taken to the streets to assist Brooklynites suffering after the catastrophic storm by setting up volunteer hubs in hard-hit Red Hook and Sunset Park, where do-gooders can deliver donations, organize food drives, and aid with

For a group often criticized as aimless, these activists say they were quick

"When the hurricane started to hit, we mobilized our networks and were al-

ready starting to canvass to determine what the needs were," said Occupy organizer Justin Wedes.

Occupy members say they have dispatched between 8,000 and 10,000 volunteers to 15 outposts across the city - with about half of those do-gooders helping out in Brook-

And their efforts in Red Hook came before more-established aid organizations, such as the Red Cross, arrived in the neighborhood.

"We have existing activist and community leaders in the neighborhoods," said Wedes, who claims that the movement's grassroots nature and lack of bureaucracy allow Occupy to move faster than other relief groups. "We didn't come from the outside. This is Occupy emerging from within these communities."

Red Cross spokesman Chris Osborne said his organization is still working to get its bearings in the

"This is widespread and there are all kinds of pockets of communities that we are still learning about and still trying to serve," said Osborne. "We ask for patience."

Red Hook residents are ecstatic that the pro-

test movement has transformed into a relief effort.

"It's the meet-and-greet you hope to never have to have, but when you do, it's great to know that vour neighbors are looking out for you," said Blee George, who has been getting hot meals and supplies daily with her 4-month-old daughter at the Red Hook Initiative — where many Occupiers lend their support.

The Red Hook Initiative, which is usually a youth community center with an after-school program, emerged as a de facto hub for neighborhood volunteerism because Hur-

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# Hakeem is in the House

BY MOSES JEFFERSON

Hakeem's dream has come true.

Assemblyman Hakeem Jeffries (D-Fort Greene) easily defeated his rivals to succeed retiring Rep. Ed Towns as the Congressman representing Fort Greene, Clinton Hill, Bedford-Stuvvesant, Canarsie, Mill Basin, Marine Park, Coney Island, Brighton Beach, and Sheepshead Bay.

The attorney and frontrunner locked up 90 percent of the vote with 99 percent of ballots counted, according to the New York Times.

Jeffries trounced GOP hopeful Alan Bellone and Green Party candidate Colin Beavan - just as he coasted past Councilman Charles Barron (D-Canarsie) in the Democratic primary.

"We're going to march for a more perfect union," Jeffries said at his victory party, according to Fort



WINNER: Assemblyman Hakeem Jeffries is headed to Congress. Photo by Cassandra Giraldo

Greene Patch. "We are not going backward."

Bellone earned 8.8 percent of ballots, while 1.2 percent of voters were tallied as "other," the Times reports.



# It's still Barack-lyn!

President Obama won his second term in the White House with 81 percent of the borough's vote, once again making Brooklyn the biggest Barack-backing county in the state. The incumbent and one-time Park Slope resident has racked up 503,291 Brooklyn votes compared to Mitt Romney's 108,630, with 98 percent of polling places reporting. Obama earned about 42,000 more Brooklyn votes during his 2008 victory, but his margin of victory in the borough appears to be slightly greater this year.

# Sloper helps evacuees vote

BY ELI ROSENBERG

In some parts of the country, people spend their time fighting tooth-and-nail to prevent others from voting. But here in the Brooklyn, locals give their blood, sweat, and tears to get everyone they can out to vote — especially in the aftermath of Hurricane

A 36-year-old Park Slope TV writer volunteering at the Park Slope Armory realized that many of the evacuees at the makeshift storm shelter were not going to be able to make it back to their devastated neighborhoods to vote — so she worked a 26-hour shift printing, distributing, and then collecting absentee ballot applications.

And she narrowly managed to beat the city's voting deadlines.

"I was calling everyone and Facebooking everyone and trying to get everyone to help," said Livia Beasley. "That's how it is in producing television. Sometime's there's a crunch, it's no biggie."

As she volunteered at the 15th

Street shelter last week after the storm, Beasley found out that many of the people she was attending to — largely a group of older residents from two independent care facilities in the Rockaways — had no way to get to the polls, nor any other way for them to vote at the shelter.

"It started to dawn on them that they weren't going to be able to get back," said Beasley, who Park Slopers might know from the band Barefoot Walking. "That's when I started making calls."

Luckily for her, the state Board of Elections extended the deadline to apply for absentee ballots in person to Monday giving her one day to make sure the storm evacuees received and turned around the paperwork they needed to be eligible.

Beasley printed out stacks of the applications on Sunday evening, then she began her gruelling, vote-gathering marathon.

The trick was finding people who were awake.

"It doesn't get completely dark in here, and these folks don't necessarily all sleep at the same time," said Beasley, who worked straight through the night through Monday. "In the middle of the night I was seeing who was awake and we did register a bunch of people in the middle of the night."

After collecting 76 absentee ballot applications, Beasley and fellow volunteers raced to the Board of Elections outposts in Brooklyn and Queens, flagging some cabs, to get them in before the offices closed Monday evening.

She said she headed home at 9 pm on Monday — after beginning her one-woman get-out-the-vote effort at 7 pm the day before.

After her first night of sleep since Saturday, Beasley was back at the Armory on election day, gathering the ballots themselves and making sure the evacuees managed to drop them off before the 5 pm Tuesday dead-



ABSENTEE DEVOTEE: Livia Beasley helped Hurricane Sandy evacuees cast absentee ballots. Photo by Stefano Giovannini

line for hand-delivered votes.

She and some other volunteers also took several shelter residents to vote due to Gov. Cuomo's affidavit ballot provision, which allowed New Yorkers in stormaffected areas to vote anywhere they'd like in the state.

Beasley said the results from the Armory were clear.

"There were maybe two people voting for Romney talking about it in like a hush-hush tone," she said. "But just about everyone said they were going to vote for Obama."

# **RECOVERY**

# Homeless head to C'Gardens

### BY NATALIE MUSUMECI

A controversial plan to turn a vacant W. Ninth Street building into a homeless shelter became a reality on Tuesday night due to Hurricane Sandy.

About 120 homeless male veterans who were displaced from a Queens shelter during the storm are receiving temporary housing at the building between Court Street and Hamilton Avenue — where the lease-holder intends to set up a permanent 170-bed homeless shelter despite community opposition.

The Department of Homeless Services broke the news of the hurricane shelter to Community Board 6 district manager Craig Hammerman by letter on Monday, insisting it's only temporary.

"We were told this is going to be short term, they will be out in less than a month," said Hammerman.



**NEW NEIGHBOR:** Curtis Lee is one of many homeless veterans who moved into a W. Ninth Street building slated to become a homeless shelter.

Community Newspaper Group / Natalie Musumeci

The Institute for Community Living, which operates the storm-damaged Queens shelter, is in charge of the temporary W. Ninth Street facility.

The arrival of the storm shelter comes after neigh-

bors protested a plan by Housing Solutions USA, which holds the lease on the site and intends to open the contested, long-term shelter.

Carroll Gardens residents expressed compas-Continued on Page 22

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# STORM OF THE CENTURY DE

# **Surf businesses:** Sandy crippled us

### BY WILL BREDDERMAN

Surf Avenue merchants Hurricane Sandy flooded their stores and damaged supplies — and at least one Coney Island merchant is considering abandoning his beloved People's Playground forever.

Businesses owners along the amusement district's main drag said flood waters seeped both under their doors and up from their sewers when Sandy hit last Monday night.

Merchants say they lost thousands of dollars in equipment and merchandise — and wonder if they'll ever recover.

"The place is an aw-



MATTED DOWN: Lago Furniture president Liana Stevens savs Sandy soaked her whole stock of beds, cabinets, and dressers.

ful wreck," said bar owner John "Cha Cha" Ciarcia, who reopened his beloved

watering hole on Surf Avenue near Stillwell Avenue in February after the city kicked him out of his longtime Boardwalk location in 2011. After just a few months of operation, flood waters destroyed the bar's refrigerators, kitchen, taps, and interior. "Right now I can't answer the question if we'll be back."

Other merchants were stunned by how much damage Sandy wrought on their businesses — but promise to reopen.

"When the water was a foot high, I thought it couldn't get any worse. When it was two-feet high, I thought it couldn't get



**DIRTY DISHES:** Gargiulo's Restaurant co-owner Anthony Russo shows off his sand-caked china left behind after Hurricane Sandy swept through. Photos by Elizabeth Graham

any worse. Sure enough, it got to four-feet high," said Anthony Russo, co-owner of the 105-year-old Gargiulo's Restaurant on W. 15th Street near Mermaid Avenue. Flooding destroyed the eatery's supplies, wine cellar, and refrigeration units, said Russo, who hasn't gotten an assessment of all the damages, but is talking to insurance adjusters and representatives from the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

"We've had every kind of specialist you could imagine in here," said Russo, who plans to have the restaurant open for parties by Nov. 17. "As much damage as salt water can do, you can always repair it.'





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# RECOVERY

# **FEMA hits Coney**

The feds are here, but not everyone is happy

### BY ELI ROSENBERG

Brooklynites suffering in the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy are flocking to the neighborhood hardest hit by the storm — Coney Island.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Small Business Administration have set up a center at MCU Park on Surf Avenue and are recommending that anyone who sustained damage in the storm come by to see if they qualify for assis-

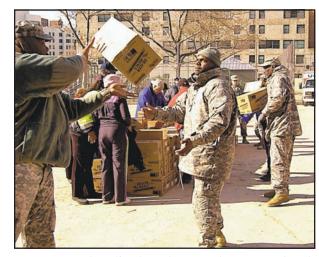
"It's important for people to register with us," said Ken Higginbotham, an agency spokesman, who's been deployed to 83 disasters over the years. "We don't want people to pre-disqualify themselves."

But some say the agency's help fell far short of what they needed.

Surf Avenue deli owner George Fox said his store suffered tens of thousands of dollars in damage, but all the government offered him were a few high-interest

"If I needed a loan I can go to a bank," Fox said. "It seems like they're running a business."

A Small Business Administration spokeswoman confirmed that the agency only



**HELPING OUT:** The National Guard passes out pre-prepared meals and water in Coney Island last Friday. Photo by Arthur De Gaeta

ployees are providing hurricane victims with information about emergency relief and federal assistance programs, said Higginbotham, who is predicting a lengthy recovery effort for those in low-lying, Sandy-scarred neighborhoods, which include Seagate, Manhattan Beach, Red Hook, and Brighton Beach.

Many residents will be able to apply for taxpayerfunded financial assistance so they can get temporary housing, repair their homes, or purchase a new home.

Small businesses can tion disaster loans.

needing assistance haven't ebbed, Higginbotham says.

"There have been literally hundreds of people that have stopped by here since we opened on Friday," he said.

The Federal Emergency

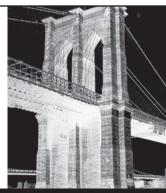
Management Agency has a lot of company in Coney Island these days. The National Guard is currently doing door-to-door sweeps of the area and bringing food and other staples to neighborhoods where supermarkets remain closed.

Con Edison has also begun a program that will reimburse residents who lost a refrigerator's worth of food when the power went out and didn't come back on for more than 12 hours.









# BROOKLYN NETS FAN OF THE WEEK



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# **78TH PRECINCT**

PARK SLOPE

# Train bandit

A clumsy thief jacked an iPhone from a straphanger on the 4 train on Nov. 1 — but managed to break the costly piece of electronics during his getaway.

The 31-year-old victim told cops she was sitting on the train at the Atlantic Avenue subway stop at 5:30 pm when the thief snatched her phone right out of her hand.

But the clumsy perp dropped the phone outside the train station on the corner of Flatbush and Atlantic avenues, leaving remnants of the shattered device behind as he dashed out of the station.

# Mean street

A thug snatched an iPhone from a man on Dean Street on Nov. 2.

The jerk approached the 21-year-old victim at 1:00 am and ordered him to hand over the device.

"Get off that phone, don't make me sock you," the perp demanded, according to police reports.

The crook then punched the man in the face, snatched the phone, and fled.

# Car-gone

A perp stole a black Chevrolet parked in the lot of an Atlantic Avenue supermarket on Oct. 29.

The 40-year-old victim told cops he left his ride in the lot at 4 pm and returned to find the vehicle missing.

He said that surveillance tapes showed someone driving his car out of the lot, which is on Fort Greene Place.

# Man beaters

Two jerks battered a man on the corner of Prospect Park West and 13th Street on Oct. 31.

The 27-year-old victim told cops that the perps approached him from behind at 12:15 am, struck him with a stick, and then fled off into Prospect Park.

# Trick and no treat

A sneaky thief swiped a purse from inside an apartment on Dean Street on Oct.

The 40-year-old victim told cops that she was trick-or-treating with her children inside her friend's apartment building at 6 pm when she realized that she forgot something inside her pal's apartment. She put her purse down in the hallway, and when she returned the purse was gone.

Whoever took off with the handbag escaped with the victim's iPhone 5, Blackberry, \$100, and credit cards.

# **Purse cursed**

A thief swiped a wallet from a woman's purse inside a chain store on Atlantic Avenue on Nov. 1.

The 31-year-old victim told cops that the perp snatched her wallet from a hand-



bag hanging off her child's stroller at 1:00 pm.

The crook then allegedly used the credit cards inside the wallet to shop at a Marshall's, investigators said.

# Sly swipers

Two jerks snatched a purse from inside a Seventh Street bar on Nov. 4.

The 29-year-old victim told cops that she was out with friends when she set her purse down on a chair and walked away at 10:55 pm. When she came back it was gone.

The crooks made off with the purse containing an iPhone, a wallet, and credit cards and fled down Seventh Avenue, according to investigators.

— Natalie Musumeci

# **88TH PRECINCT**

FORT GREENE-CLINTON HILL

# Bike pull

A jerk attacked and robbed a man while he was riding his bike on Fulton Street on Oct. 28.

The 55-year-old victim told cops he was at Flatbush Avenue at 10:30 pm when the crook pulled him off his bicycle and took his wallet and iPhone.

# **Sandwiched**

A gun-toting thug robbed a fast-food restaurant the day after Hurricane Sandy on Oct. 30.

A store worker told cops the crook came into the store between St. Felix Street and Fort Greene Place at 12:40 pm, pointed a black gun at him and said, "Put all the money inside the bag."

# Phone gone

A crook stole a woman's cellphone right out of her hand on Fort Greene Place on Nov. 1.

The 25-year-old victim told cops she was talking on the phone between Lafayette Avenue and Hanson Place at 6:30 pm when the crook came up behind her and snatched her iPhone.

# Doubled-up

An ill-intentioned duo robbed two people on Cumberland Street on Nov. 2.

The victims told cops they were between Lafayette and Greene avenues at 1:30 am when two men simulated a gun and said, "Empty your pockets and put your phones on the ground." The crooks took two iPhones and a fancy camera and fled.

# Flatbush beat-down

A pack of men beat and robbed a man on Flatbush Avenue on Nov. 3.

The 18-year-old victim told cops he was at DeKalb Avenue leaving the Barclays Center when two men approached him and pulled him to the ground. Three other men then came up to him and beat and punched him. The gang took his wallet and fled.

# Window smash

A crook broke into a car parked on S. Oxford Street on Oct. 29.

The 60-year-old victims told cops she left her car between Hanson Place and Atlantic Avenue at 1 pm, returning 40 minutes later to find the back passenger-side window broken and her handbag and cellphone gone.

# Hurricaned

An opportunist burglarized a Clermont Avenue house after the owner stepped out for a pre-hurricane walk on Oct. 29.

The 45-year-old victim told cops that he left his door unlocked at his house between Willoughby and DeKalb avenues as he left to walk his dogs at 3 pm, returning at 8 pm to find \$2,000 missing from his wallet.

# **Nice things**

A crook burglarized a home on S. Portland Avenue on Nov. 2.

The 34-year-old victim told cops she left her place between Lafayette and DeKalb avenues at 11:15 pm, returning 10 minutes later to find the crook rummaging through her apartment.

She told cops he made away with an iPad, diamond earrings, and some fancy sunglasses.

# Laptop recovery

An idiot tried to steal a laptop on Clermont Avenue on Nov. 2 — but two good Samaritans tracked him down and got it back.

Cops said the jerk broke into a house between Myrtle and Willoughby avenues at 3 pm, and fled when the owner returned home. Luckily, two Brooklyn heroes chased the man down and took back the laptop, before the thief fled again.

# Auto-gahn

A crook stole a set of wheels from a car on Washington Avenue sometime over-

night on Nov. 1.

The 64-year-old victim told cops he left the car between Myrtle and Willoughby avenues at 6 pm, returning at 7 am the next day to find the vehicle gone.

— Eli Rosenberg

# **68TH PRECINCT**

BAY RIDGE-DYKER HEIGHTS

# Tab grab

A punk snatched the safe from a popular Fifth Avenue watering hole on Oct. 28, police say.

The owner of the watering hole between 89th and 90th street said he closed the taproom down at 11:30 pm. When he went back to his pub at 11:30 am the next day, he found that a crook had smashed the glass back door, broken into the basement office, and swiped the cash-filled lockbox off of a cabinet.

# **Broke**

A jerk burglarized an insurance brokerage on Fourth Avenue on Oct. 31, cops report.

Staffers from the business between 91st and 92nd streets told cops that the last employee locked the door and went home at 6 pm on Halloween. When the worker returned at 8 am the next day, she found the door ajar and thousands in cash and business checks missing.

# Game over

A crook jacked a Bay Ridge man's xBox, laptops, and cash from his Ovington Avenue apartment sometime overnight on Oct. 28, according to cops.

The victim told police he left his home between Third and Fourth avenues at 9:30 pm, and came back at 6 am to see someone had kicked his door open and made off with his money and electronics.

# Got the drop

A creep swiped a man's fallen wallet inside an Eighth Avenue grocery store on Nov. 4, according to police.

Security cameras show the victim dropping his billfold without realizing it while shopping at Feil Long Food Court at the corner of 63rd Street. A few minutes later, a sneaky thief picked it up and walked out with it — with the victim's cash and cards inside.

# Cause for alarm

A pair of goons tried to pull off a heist in a Fifth Avenue jewelry store on Oct. 20, police report — but they fled the scene once the owner spotted them and activated his security system.

The owner of the shop between 71st and 72nd streets said he heard a noise coming from the back of his store at 12:35 am.

When he went to check it out, he spotted a pair of hooded intruders trying to break open the rear entrance — prompting the merchant to sound his alarm, which scared the wimpy punks off.

— Will Bredderman

# RECOVERY

# Roll-N-Roaster: We're still rolling

### BY COLIN MIXSON

Tweets of Roll-N-Roaster's demise have been greatly exaggerated.

The Twitterverse was abuzz with rumors that the Emmons Avenue fastfood staple was swept away by Hurricane Sandy's rising floodwaters and fierce winds as the storm raged, but the Sheepshead Bay eatery proudly opened on Friday, sustaining only minimal damage.

'We got lucky," said Roll-N-Roaster general manager Ayet Karce. "There was mud and sand so we had some heavy mopping to do, but that was about it."

But that's not what Twitter users said as they relayed information about the storm to each other on Monday and Tuesday.

"Heard from a friend that Roll-N-Roaster in Sheepshead Bay might be gone forever? If so ... Infinite sadness," wrote the inaccurate



HERE'S THE BEEF: Not even Hurricane Sandy could stop Jenna Masterioseph from serving the delicious sandwiches that made Roll-N-Roaster a legendary establishment in Sheepshead Bay.

Photo by Steve Solomonson

social media user.

Fortunately, that Twitter user's pal was way off the mark — and this reporter has the full belly to prove it.

The restaurant lucked out as far as electricity was concerned. Merchants between Bedford Avenue and Knapp Street had power, while businesses between Bedford Avenue and Sheepshead Bay Road were left in the dark.

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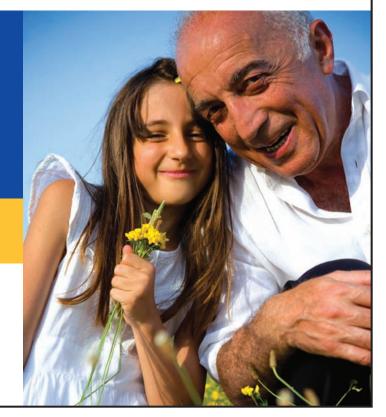
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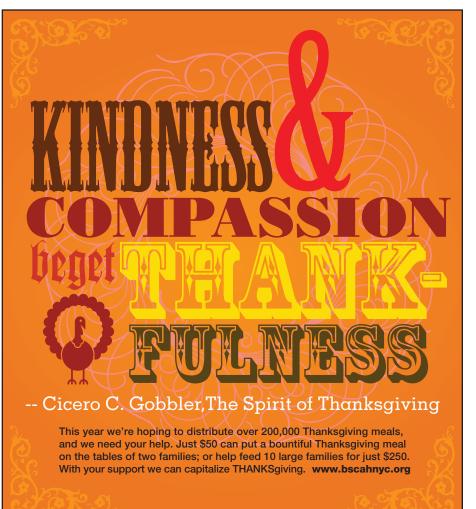
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# HURRICANE HURRICANE



**STRADDLING THE LINE:** Intrepid reporter Will Bredderman stands over the dividing line between wood and concrete Boardwalk, where there is a noticeable difference in beach erosion.

# SANDY PROVES B'WALK FEARS

### BY WILL BREDDERMAN

Hurricane Sandy caused a lot of damage in Coney Island, but it also proved Boardwalk advocates' claims that wood is good — especially during major storms.

Opponents of a city plan to convert all but four blocks of the iconic promenade to plastic lumber and concrete said more sand was lost under the stretch of cement walk near SeaBreeze Avenue than under the traditional wooden Boardwalk—just as they predicted.

"The storm, which was very unfortunate, has proven to be a great tool," said Brighton Beach activist Ida Sanoff, who cosigned a lawsuit against the Parks Department for not conducting a full study on the environmental impacts the cement Boardwalk would have. "We've said that from day one that the impact of storm surges

on the concrete should be evaluated."

Sanoff said sand piled up under and on top of the old timber section of the walkway when Hurricane Sandy hit — but the concrete surface barely has a grain of grit on it.

But there isn't any sand under the concrete walkway either, Sanoff explained.

"Why is there such a sharp distinction there?" said Sanoff, suggesting that the wooden footpath slowed down rushing waves, allowing sand to settle underneath. "Obviously something different is happening when the surge hits concrete and when it hits wood. Where are the studies?"

Friends of the Boardwalk President Todd Dobrin, who is also named as a plaintiff in the lawsuit against the city, said the slatted wooden Boardwalk filters seawater as it retreats, letting sand build up on top and underneath. The concrete Boardwalk doesn't work that way, leaving huge dunes to be deposited on the street behind it.

"The concrete doesn't allow the water to drain," Dobrin said. "The water washed over it and right onto Ocean Parkway. The proof is all over Ocean Parkway."

Yet many have dismissed such claims — as well as allegations that beach erosion would increase if a concrete Boardwalk is installed.

"This has nothing to do with erosion," said Judge Martin Solomon, who refused to hear arguments about beach erosion from the pro-wood side during a recent court hearing. Solomon suggested that jutting rock groins would do more for stopping erosion than a wooden Boardwalk.

"I battled erosion on those beaches for years," he said.

# STORM OF THE CENTURY DONE





# Prospect Park reopens after storm

BY MOSES JEFFERSON

Brooklyn's backyard is back.

Much of Prospect Park reopened last Saturday, days after Hurricane Sandy ripped through the greenspace and destroyed more than 300 trees, knocked down nearly 1,000 large branches, and left more than 100 arbors with hanging limbs, park officials said. But the park's return didn't last long.

City officials shut down the crown jewel of the borough's parks again on Wednesday and Thursday in preparation for a nor'easter set to strike Brooklyn.

Sandy was the most destructive storm in the Prospect Park Alliance's 25-year history, according to the organization.

"Alliance and Parks Department staffs have been working long hours to prepare the park for its reopening to the public," said Prospect Park Alliance president Emily Lloyd.

Lloyd said the park's recovery comes thanks in part to the efforts of volunteers from NYC Service, the United States Forest Service, and U.S. Army recruiters

from Fort Hamilton.

But some sections of Prospect Park remain off limits.

All woodland areas remain closed — including Quaker Hill, Lookout Hill, the Midwood, Breeze Hill, and Willine Hill. Also shut down are Nellie's Lawn, the Lincoln Road Playground, and Detective Dillon Stewart Playground, in the Parade Grounds.



**SEEING GREEN:** Brooklynites returned to Prospect Park after the storm-damaged greenspace reopened – and Park Slope resident David Eisner and his son, Kaito, 2, managed to find a Hurricane Sandy-related souvenir.

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# THE BROOKLYN BACKSTORY CELEBRATING THE NEIGHBORHOODS OF THE BOROUGH OF KINGS

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# Bedford-Stuyvesant

# Once-notorious nabe undergoing a renaissance

### BY SHAVANA ABRUZZO

Mary H. Monomi opened her 1973 book on Bedford-Stuyvesant with the question, "Why would anyone want to live there?"

These days she's eating those words.

Few city neighborhoods have battled negative stereotypes with transforming social and demographic revolutions better than the urban kaleidoscope where Jewish immigrants Morris and Rose Michtom invented the Teddy bear back in 1902, in a tiny candy store at 404 Tompkins Ave. between Hancock Street and Jefferson Avenue.

They named their cuddly toy after President Theodore Roosevelt who used it two years later as a symbol of his re-election campaign.

Bedford-Stuyvesant is Brooklyn's living catalog of the black American experience. Its torturous battle with civil rights, unemployment, poverty, crime, and hope is etched on its elegant buildings and scrappy sidewalks, which scream empowering quotes from Martin Luther King, Jr. and Malcolm X, and striking murals honoring successful African Americans who escaped the "hood" — among them, singer Lena Horne, rapper Jay-Z, baseball great Jackie Robinson, and comedian Chris Rock.

These days, new generations are embracing Bedford-Stuyvesant's irrepressible incongruities, which span from its raw portrayal as an urban ghetto in Spike Lee's "Do the Right Thing" to its comforting cornucopia of community gardens.

Even its name is a contradiction — a hvbrid honoring the British Duke of Bedford and 17th century settler Peter Stuyvesant, the last governor of the region that would become New York, whose early settlers from western Europe farmed the land and prospered on the backs of slaves transported from Africa.

Freed slave James Weeks established Weeksville — one of the nation's first free-



DONE RIGHT: A cyclist pedals past a block where much of Spike Lee's movie "Do The Right Thing" was filmed more than 20 years ago.

Associated Press / Seth Wenig

black community near present-day Troy Avenue and Dean Street — 11 years after New York abolished slavery in 1827.

The city later demolished some of the homes, while others were excavated painstakingly 130 years later by committed area residents and preserved as a historical site, operated these days by the Weeksville

Heritage Center at 1698 Bergen St., between Rochester and Buffalo avenues.

"This was a history that was lost, and part of our mission is to make sure that doesn't happen again," says research director Jennifer Scott.

The opening of the Brooklyn Bridge in 1883 precipitated new development in the area. Elegant brownstones and luxury villas sprouted along Bedford Corners at the corner of Bedford Avenue and Fulton Street, where wealthy bankers sought refuge away from Manhattan's squalor in dwellings like the stately Alhambra — a block-long apartment building on Nostrand Avenue off Halsey Street built in 1889 that remains an

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New arrivals now included Jews, who opened up businesses and places of worship, including Temple Israel, erected in 1869 on Bedford and Lawrence avenues.

Many of the area's African-American churches still contain Jewish symbols, such as the mezuzah and the Star of David, including St. Leonard's Church on Putnam Avenue between Malcolm X Boulevard and Patchen Avenue — formerly Shaari Zedek Synagogue.

"When I was a kid, I used to go to 'shul' every morning" in the neighborhood," Rabbi Yonah Landau, 64, a historian and writer, tells the Brooklyn Ink.

The region's dominance as the nexus of Brooklyn's black culture occurred in the 1920s and 1930s.

West Indians and blacks migrated from Harlem and the south, and black families who had worked at the Brooklyn Navy Yard and lived in present-day DUMBO relocated to Bedford-Stuyvesant in the wake of the Great Depression. That prompted the Gates Avenue Block Association to invite the Ku Klux Klan up from Georgia to frighten away the black migrants, according to some accounts. But by the end of World War II Bedford-Stuyvesant had become a predominantly black enclave.

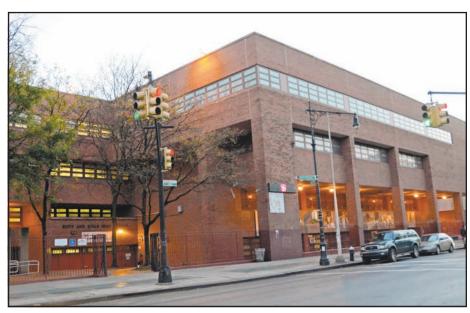
Public housing complexes erected in the 1940s and the 1950s became incubators for the region's mounting problems.

Black families paid high rents to live in confined dwellings, and received inadequate services while finding themselves excluded from local politics — a fate which wouldn't be overturned until 1968 when Shirley Chisholm became the nation's first African American congresswoman.

Residents countered by the snub by forming the Central Brooklyn Coordinating Council, an organization of more than 100 block associations, civic groups, churches, and service systems, led by a no-nonsense working mother named Elsie Richardson.

In 1966, Richardson invited then-Sen. Robert F. Kennedy to tour Bedford-Stuyvesant with her, culminating the trek with a community meeting at the Bedford Avenue YMCA, where she told the rising politician, "We've been studied to death."

Kennedy was caught off guard, reports an account in "The Nation," and complained to aides, "I don't have to take that s---. I could be smoking a ci-



Boys and Girls High School is in a class of its own for being Brooklyn's first public high school.

Photo by Elizabeth Graham

gar in Palm Beach."

He was sufficiently moved, however, to establish the nation's first, federally-funded, anti-poverty campaign, using Bedford-Stuyvesant as its model.

"The program for the development of Bedford Stuyvesant will combine the best of community action with the best of the private enterprise system," Kennedy said at the time. "Neither by itself is enough, but in their combination lies our hope for the future."

Today, the Bedford Stuyvesant Restoration Plaza Corporation operates out of a former milk bottling plant at Fulton Street off New York Avenue.

It has repaired the exteriors of more than 150 homes, attracted more than \$500 million in investments to central Brooklyn, and established the historic Billie Holiday Theatre, the Skylight Gallery, and dozens of non-profits, businesses, and government agencies, among its myriad accomplishments.

The 1980s alternately denigrated and celebrated the notorious neighborhood.

Billy Joel invoked jitters in his hit single, "You May Be Right," crooning, "I was stranded in the combat zone, I walked through Bedford-Stuy alone," as a way to exclaim that he was, in fact, crazy.

Civil court judge John Phillips bought the Regent Theater at 1215 Fulton St. off Bedford Ave and renamed it the Slave Theater as a reminder of the area's trans-Atlantic slave trade.

And Boys and Girls High School at 1700 Fulton St. off Utica Avenue — the alma mater of author Norman Mailer and jazz trumpeter Ray Copeland — became a nationally acclaimed learning institute, thanks to its late principal Frank Mickens, who instituted a school uniform, and patrolled the hallways to monitor errant students, administering with such success that 70 percent of his graduates went on to college.

These days, the district once dubbed the nation's largest ghetto is undergoing a major revitalization as a new wave of merchants discovers the commercial potential of Bedford-Stuyvesant.

One incoming trader feared venturing into the neighborhood where he now runs a thriving business.

"About 30 years ago, we would close the windows on our bus when we traveled through Bed-Stuy," says Victor Klein, whose family opened up a branch of the Ice Cream House on Bedford Avenue between Myrtle and Willoughby avenues a year ago. "There's a huge difference between then and now."

Klein, whose grandfather began hawking ice cream to Brooklynites in 1955, attributes the business boom to a declining crime rate, an influx of young collegians, and a burgeoning middle-class community.

"Today, Bed-Stuy is Jewish, non-Jewish, black, white, Asian, everything," he says. "It's a very nice place to be."

# **Bed-Stuy facts**

# Six things you need to know about this nabe's history



Director Spike Lee rocked Bedford-Stuyvesant to international fame with his 1989 movie, "Do The Right Thing."

Actor and comedian Jackie Gleason, of "The Honeymooners," was born in the area.



Robert F. Kennedy chose Bedford-Stuyvesant as the model for his national anti-poverty program.

Neighborhood gal Shirley Chisholm made history in the late 1960s when she became the first African-American woman to be elected to Congress.





Actress and singer Vanessa Williams is a Bedford-Stuyvesant success story.

Susan McKinney-Steward, who lived in Weeksville, became New York's first African-American female physician.



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# RECOVERY



**PITCHING IN:** Volunteers help clean a flood-damaged nursery on Van Brunt Street in Red Hook.

# HOW TO HELP

# Here's how you can assist those in need

Want to help neighbors who are suffering following Hurricane Sandy?

There are plenty of ways to get involved in the cleanup and recovery effort here in Brooklyn.

The city needs volunteers in all of its storm shelters. Most don't have phone numbers, so volunteers may need to show up and find out how they can help:

•Park Slope Armory (361 15th St. between Seventh and Eighth avenues in Park Slope)

•NYC College of Technology (300 Jay St. between Tillary and Johnson streets in Downtown).

•Brooklyn Technical High School (29 Ft. Greene Pl. between Dekalb Avenue and Fulton Street in Fort Greene).

•John Jay High School (237 Seventh Ave. between Fourth and Fifth streets in Park Slope).

•IS 136 (4004 Fourth Ave. at 40th Street in Sunset Park).

•PS 249 (18 Marlborough Road between Caton and Church avenues in Prospect Park South).

pect Park South).
•IS 187, 1171 (65th St. between 11th and 12th avenues

in Dyker Heights).

•FDR High School (5800 20th Ave. at 58th Street in Midwood).

A map of city shelter is available at google.org/crisismap/2012-sandy-nyc.

The New York Blood Center is hosting donation drives — check daily to find locations at nybloodcenter.

The Red Hook Initiative is distributing hot meals and supplies to residents of the Red Hook Houses, who remain without power.

To assist those in need, drop off flashlights, batteries, soap, paper towels, and non-perishable food at the group's headquarters (767 Hicks St. between Huntington and W. Ninth streets in Red Hook), or call (718) 858–6782.

The Greenpoint Soup Kitchen (136 Milton St. between Manhattan Avenue and Franklin Street in Greenpoint) is looking for volunteers and donations.

NYCares is matching volunteers with service providers based on participants' skills and location. Potential volunteers should fill out the form at newyork-cares.org/volunteer/disaster

The Children's Move-

ment for Creative Education is looking for art therapists to visit children in family shelters.

Contact Elana Haviv at (347) 846–0600 or elana@childrensmovement.org.

PS 84 Jose de Diego School (250 Berry St. between Grand and S. First streets in Williamsburg) is collecting school supplies, food, and household items for the families of children who attend PS 317 in Far Rockaway. Donations can be made Monday–Friday from 7 am–6 pm.

Congregation Beth Elohim (274 Garfield Pl. at Eighth Avenue in Park Slope) is looking for volunteers and food donation for Red Hook. E-mail info@cbebk.org.

The New York City Coalition Against Hunger is looking for both volunteers and donations. See what kind of help they need at www.facebook.com/NYCCAH.

Occupy Sandy, the storm relief offshoot of Occupy Wall Street, is continuing its recovery efforts across the city.

Check interoccupy.net/occupysandy to see where they need help the most.

- Danielle Furfaro

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# STORM OF THE CENTURY DO

# **Brooklyn pumps** run out of gas

### BY ELI ROSENBERG

Hurricane Sandy's aftermath has created a gas shortage for the ages that's disrupting commuters and businesses throughout the borough - and raising tempers in the process.

"It's an enormous pain," said Sven Wechsler, the owner of Sven Moving in Williamsburg, who scuttled half of his four-vehicle fleet because he can't find enough gas to fill them all last week. "I was supposed to move somebody to Pittsburgh, which I cancelled, and I stopped doing jobs that I can't do in one of my diesel vehicles."

Gas stations around the



WAITING GAME: Gas lines were blocks long around the borough - for those who could find a station that still had gas. Photo by Paul Martinka

borough have been swamped with customers for days, with many of them running out of petrol in a matter of hours.

"Brooklyn's never not had gas like this," said a worker at the Sunoco on Coney Island Avenue in Gravesend.

One Shell station on Third Avenue in Boerum Hill posted a placard in its window with a hopeless message for professional drivers.

"Don't know when the gas is coming," read the sign over the cashier's window.

Waits for gas have extended up to four hours, causing tension to boil over into conflict at times.

Many gas stations now have police chaperones -Weschler claimed that one of his drivers reported seeing a gas tanker with a police escort.



IT'S LIKE MAD MAX: Motorists and gas can-toting pedestrians lined up on Fourth Avenue and Union Street to fill up at this Hess Station. Community Newspaper Group / Ben Muessig





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# RECOVERY



**LENDING A HAND:** Paul Alvord distributes cleaning supplies in Red Hook.

Photo by Ken Yapelli

# FINDING AID AFTER 'CANE

# Here's how to get help for Sandy-related damage

Brooklynites who sustained property damage in Hurricane Sandy can apply for funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

To request federal aid, register at disasterassistance.gov or call (800) 621-3362. The agency asks that applicants have their address, insurance information, and Social Security number ready.

After applying for help, assessors will visit dam-

aged properties and survey the conditions. The agency won't give a timeline for long Brooklynites must wait before receiving funds — it could range from a week to more than a year.

Mayor Bloomberg is also accepting donations to the Mayor's Fund for New York, so residents may be able to apply for some of that money at a later time.

The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development has granted a 90-day moratorium on foreclosures and forbearances on Federal Housing Administrationinsured home mortgages - with no paperwork reauired.

Con Edison offers refunds of up to \$450 for food spoiled during power outages that lasted more than 12 hours over a 24-hour period. Visit coned.com to file a claim.

— Danielle Furfaro



# DAMAGE CONTROL TO THE SECOND T

# Shops: Sandy a spoiler

# Storm forces Sheepshead merchants to trash their food

BY COLIN MIXSON

Emmons Avenue's businesses are frozen without refrigeration.

The El Greco Diner, as well as the Cherry Hill grocery inside the historic Lundy's Restaurant, threw out tons of spoiled food last Friday as Sheepshead Bay businesses marked a full week without power and refrigeration.

"We've filled five dumpsters full of food that's just gone," said Cherry Hill general manager Uzi Mizrahi.

The dumpster Mizrahi refers to is a 22-foot-long, eight-foot-wide, and six-foot-high steel box capable of bearing 30-cubic-yards of refuse — bins that are recommended to homeowners demolishing their garages.

No one was inside Cherry Hill at the height of Hurricane Sandy, so it's unclear how high the water rose in Sheepshead Bay's only landmarked structure.

But the building did sustain sub-



**DIRTY JOB:** Workers at the EI Greco Diner on Emmons Avenue work to toss out hundreds of crates of food, which spoiled after their refrigerators were left without power for days.

Photo by Steve Solomonson

stantial flooding, workers say.

Despite the damage, Mizrahi says he could open immediately —

if he had power.

"If we had power, we'd open right now," Mizrahi explained. "It all depends on power. We've got a lot money riding on our refrigerators turning back on."

The El Greco Diner near Sheepshead Bay Road lost less food — workers only filled two dumpsters — but it lost more in appliances.

The diner's basement — which is stocked with a walk-in refrigerator — was still inundated with eight feet of water on Friday, according to owner Peter Venetoklis.

"Once we get electricity, we can start replacing the appliances," said Venetoklis. "The refrigerator, compressor; I don't think anything works."

Still, Veletoklis is in remarkable spirits.

"What am I gonna do? I can cry into milk, or take care of business," he said.

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# Storm over National Guard in Bklyn

Our report on the political tempest that raged between the Mayor and the Beep over more boots on the ground in Sandy-shattered Brooklyn — ("Bloomberg: The National Guard in Coney is a bad idea," online Nov. 1) — got the attention of Rush Limbaugh (whoowhoo!) and unleashed a torrent of responses from our cyber fans who floated their own theories about the stormy slugfest.

Bloomberg is freaking insane. What does he care if people's homes are getting looted? He has armed bodyguards when he goes to the toilet. **Joe** 

I'm a civilian that works for the National Guard in a southern state. Simply stated, the Mayor is nuts. The National Guard usually does not act as a police unit in this type of an emergency. They have heavy equipment and support personnel that can set up shelters, clear roads, set up emergency generators, and provide medical services. Through the Emergency Management Assistance Compact agreements, units from other states can react and be on site in days to assist. During Irene, we provided equipment to clear roads in Vermont. During Sandy. non-National Guard Search and Rescue units were in Maryland the next day. The Guard is not just an armed military unit to be used in armed conflicts. They are an emergency response in all emergencies. Someone just has to ask.

### FlyNavy from The South

If they have only caught about 20 people for looting so far it is because the police are spread so thin. They are not catching all of them. National Guard does such good things for the morale of the people in the community. So what if they are armed. Have you heard of any of the guards shooting someone while provid-

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# SOUND OFF TO THE EDITOR

LETTERS AND COMMENTS FROM OUR READERS

ing protection for the community where needed? Nope. Let them in.

Kat from none

Unbelievable, Mayor Bloomberg at work! Susan from Sunset Park

Anything that buffoon Marty asks for I say "no" to, no matter how much sense it makes. He annoys me. I don't care how much looting and devastation there is in Brooklyn, if Marty asks for it, he can't have it.

### Mayor for life from my lofty perch

Right-wing and "survivalist" types are all over this story. People, please. If you read the news, you'll learn that the Guard is in N.Y.C. doing rescue and relief. More are coming. Bloomberg didn't decline the Guard outright. He just said that he's reserving hard-core policing in high-risk neighborhoods to the people who are best trained — New York's Finest. People, do you think Bloomberg just had a brain-f-t and didn't care if Coney Island got looted? That he came up with this all alone and just told Markowitz off? Please. Ray Kelly runs the NYPD. He's no slouch and his track record is pretty darn good. If Bloomberg said no Guard running patrols in Coney Island, it's because that's how Kelly wants things done. So, please take a minute away from hyperventilating against Bloomberg's latest "outrage" and use your head about this. Isaac from BP

Any leader that rejects help for his people needs to be rejected at the next election. My blood is boiling over this. Can you imagine if New Orleans had conditions on who could help and who could not help. Democrats are the reason these cities are in decline, and this crisis is going to waste because of them. They are letting people suffer needlessly because of their agenda. It is no time to play politics.

Politicaljules from Lago

This Mayor is out of touch with the people. There has been looting going on here in Brooklyn. The National Guard will help stop that and deliver food and water to the people. Why such disregard for Brooklyn?

Pat from Bay Ridge

It's easy to slam Bloomberg. I'm not a fan, but he's doing well. Marty is an a----, plain and simple. Anything that fool wants, the opposite should be given. This is simply asinine, this request.

Ant from GP

The only police state Bloomberg wants in N.Y.C. is the police state he controls.

Ian from 11211

I haven't witnessed a crime wave, but to turn down extra help just 'cause he thinks it's a waste of money is unbelievable. We have a 20-story hospital with elderly patients who need to be evacuated. Most are in wheelchairs. Angry people waiting for gas and supermarkets that are closed. Sheepshead Bay. The elderly whose needs need to be addressed. At this time. Major Bloomberg is callous and totally removed from the needs of the poor and middle class.

### Carmen from Sheepshead Bay

The Mayor has already gotten those dangerous Big Gulps off the street! You peasants don't need any more protection other than his own private NYPD whiteshirt thugs. If he had lobbied for funds to upgrade the subway system as hard as he stumped for the Olympics, or forcing his third term on us, or banning big sodas, maybe it wouldn't be in such bad shape? But he can't put his name on that kind of thing, so he won't do it.

### Jim from Cobble Hill

Just wondering if Bloomberg has actually been out to the area or not? There is a military saying that says the commander on the ground is always right until proven otherwise, so, if Markowitz is asking for this, it's possible that he is in a better position to judge things in this area than Bloomberg is. I don't know about the looting, there have only been 20 people arrested for it according to the news, and that is pretty much a slow day for crime. I also saw that there have been zero murders in the city since Sandy hit, so I have a feeling that this "crime wave" is more of a non-story that certain people are trying to latch onto, as a way to "un-blame" Bush for the horrible response during Katrina and say, "See Obama it's not so easy, is it?" The reality is that order is still in place, and while things are difficult for a lot of people right now, we are not seeing anything that remotely resembles the Katrina aftermath and situation that occurred in New Orleans, and anyone trying to say otherwise is full of it. Having said that, the National Guard does a lot of things other than act as law enforcement, and it may be simply that more boots on the ground are needed in the area. Bloomberg saying it's a waste of

money is not really a good reason, either they are needed or not. If they are, then you send them.

JAY from NYC

How long left for this clown of a mayor to be in office? Oh wait, he'll go and change the term limit again. **Jetset** 

I haven't seen a crime, or there haven't been any arrests therefore there is no problem? That's some peoples standard for judging? Given that New York City could have solved this whole hurricane problem by just locking themselves in closets for the duration of the storm and its aftermath. Hurricane? I didn't see no hurricane? Must not have been one.

### **Kyle from Coney**

The Mayor believes any idea other than his own is a foolish, bad, laughable idea. His legacy will be he overturned democracy by eliminating term limits with the help of Speaker Quinn and his bribery money called political contributions. During the storm the Mayor refused to evacuate or even have a plan for the evacuation of Rikers Island. Solitary confinement is legal torture and America has the most prisoners in the world, and in solitary confinement.

## Allan Feinblum from Midwood

You've got to be kidding me? This moron for a Mayor over in New York City is pathetic. But what do we expect from a Mayor who refuses to use common sense. It's his way or the highway, but couldn't care less to ensure the citizens are protected from low-life looters. But what do we expect from a buffoon who is concerned about the size of your soft drink and a marathon than what really matters.

John from Syracuse

Hate to see what this pathetic Mayor is doing as the representative of my old hometown. Don't like the fact I had to leave my hometown, but I could not take the moon-bat decisions he was placing on the rest of us anymore. The lengths this man has gone to do some of the craziest garbage is despicable. His response to the use of National Guard personnel is reprehensible in a time of a serious disaster. We could do no worse if a Democrat was in office. To worry about the size of a soda — to this fiasco — takes the cake. Saddens me to see the best city in the world with such a terrible Mayor leading it.

Eileen from Ft. Lauderdale, FL



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# Shelter

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sion for the displaced homeless vets, but echoed their angst about the plan for a permanent shelter.

"For veterans on a temporary basis until their

place is rehabilitated, we can do that. Neighbor can help neighbor, no doubt about it," said longtime Carroll Gardens resident Buddy Scotto, 84, who is completely opposed to the possibility of a permanent 170-bed homeless shelter in the up-and-coming area in

Expressway.

"This is the weakest part of our neighborhood, which means we need to strengthen this part of the neighborhood,

the shadow of the Gowanus

not weaken it," he said.

Carroll Gardens resident
Matthew Morettini wants
to make sure the temporary

homeless shelter doesn't become a permanent part of W. Ninth Street.

"I understand them coming in now since everyone was displaced with the hurricane, but I hope that doesn't mean a final decision has been made," he said. "Now it's just happening without any other input from the community."

The vets coming to W. Ninth Street — some of whom lost much of their belongings to the storm — hope their new neighbors will accept them.

"I hope the community understands that we served our country from Iraq and Vietnam," said Mike, a 53-year-old Army veteran who declined to give his last name because he doesn't want to publicize the fact he is homeless. "I don't want to be pre-judged — we are veterans and we deserve respect."

But other Carroll Gardens residents contend that the long-term proposal is unsafe for the kid-friendly neighborhood.

"It's going to definitely increase crime rates, reduce safety, and reduce the value of the neighborhood," said Tarek Ahmed, a father of five-month-old twins.

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**GIVE 'EM SHELTER:** Homeless veterans moved into this Carroll Gardens building on Tuesday night. File photo by Bess Adler

Homeless Services did not return calls before press time.

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# Occupy

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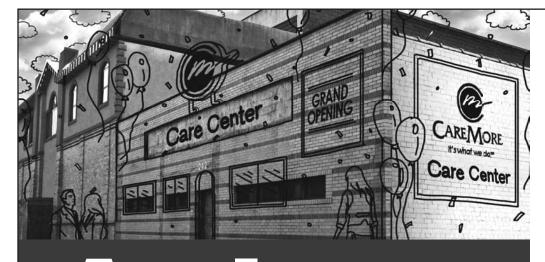
ricane Sandy spared the building during the storm.

"We are right across the street from Red Hook Houses and we had no water damage," said Red Hook Initiative operations coordinator Sandy Brockwell. "It was a place for people to come in and get out of the cold, and then people started showing up and volunteering."

Since Tuesday, the community center has organized hundreds of do-gooders, including many Occupy folks, who are tasked with cooking or delivering hot meals, bringing batteries and other non-perishables to neighbors without power, and helping residents clean up water-logged homes.

Hurricane relief seems like a far jump from protesting the big banks, but Ronny Nunez — one of the leaders behind the Occupy branch operating out of St. Jacobi Church in Sunset Park — says the departure needed to happen.

"We had to set up an ad hoc operation," he said. "Places were devastated and weren't getting any help."



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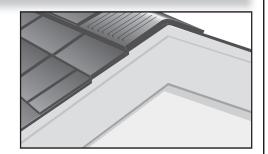
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# Brooklyn's Biggest Booster

by Joanna DelBuono

# **Good eats despite Hurricane Sandy**

**MANHATTAN BEACH** 

Not howling winds, pelting rain, nor ravaging surges kept these hospitality hounds from serving up gourmet goodies to the staff and residents at the Menorah Center. The hospitality team, Annis Stewart, Judy Smith, Yelena Grinberg, Iroda Jean, Marion Smith, Dawn Smart, Roxann Toney, Ylesha Yates, Euphovia Carre, Ingrid Hercules, Richard West, Ronald Reed, Margaret Agard and Madeline Olivio, led by director Victor Williams braved the elements and beat Sandy down by keeping everyone well fed.



"While Hurricane Sandy was storming into Manhattan Beach, our extraordinary staff of hurricane heroes treated our patients and residents to a near-typical day of activities, delicious food, and culinary delights," said Menorah Center spokeswoman Audrey Waters.

It's better than green eggs and ham, says Standing O I am.

Menorah Center [1516 Oriental Blvd. in Manhattan Beach; (718) 646–4441].

### **BAY RIDGE**

# **Techno craze**

Three cheers for the newly renovated computer lab at Lutheran Elementary School. The lab was unveiled at the beginning of the school year.

State-of-the-art laptops with the newest, bestest software are used by the staff that has re-tooled its teaching approach to meet the advanced needs of a techno future.

"The technology is allowing our teachers to merge diverse subjects while making them relevant to the real-world that students face as they move on in higher education," said **Lorraine Tuccillo**, principal at the





**TA-DA!:** General manager Melonee Gilchrist (left) and sales manager Michael Stansfield showcase Potbelly Sandwich Shop on Adams Street – the first of the chain to open in Brooklyn – on Oct. 16.

Photo by Bess Adler

# Potbelly expands to Downtown area

**DOWNTOWN** 

Need a good hot sandwich for lunch, complete with a little entertainment? Come to Potbelly Sandwich Shop. The Chicago eatery that has taken New York by storm — not to be confused with Hurricane Sandy — opened its first-ever restaurant in our very, very posh Downtown neighborhood on Oct. 16, right across from the courts. Not only will the food be good, but with all those lawyers and judges, there will be lots of drama and entertainment. Potbelly makes tasty warm sandwiches, hand-dipped shakes, tasty made-to-order salads, and does it all with a friendly lively staff. Just ask manager Melonee Gilchrist.

Melonee, who has been with the com-

pany since 2011, is happy to be in her home borough and serving terrific fare.

"I've lived here for more than 20 years and the development of the area has been dramatic, which we are proud to be a part of. Our neighborhood has truly embraced Potbelly Sandwich Shop," Melonee told Standing O.

Come on down Monday through Saturday from 11 am to 9 pm and on Sundays from 11 am to 7 pm. If you can't get out to grab a bite, Melonee will have someone deliver it — at least Mondays through Fridays from 11 am to about 8 pm. So what are you waiting for, the line is already a mile long!

Potbelly Sandwich Shop [345 Adams St. at Pearl Street in Downtown, (212) 897–1872].

school. "It all started with a new teacher."

Imagine that. Artist **Janet Cerutti** helped create the vision for the school's new technology and visual arts program.

"For our younger grades we have the very popular KidPix and we also start to teach typing in first grade," Standing O buddy Janet told us. "It's going to be cool."

Hey, it was never that cool when Standing O went to school.

Lutheran Elementary School [440 Ovington Ave. at Fourth Avenue in Bay Ridge, (718) 748–9502].

### **BOROUGH WIDE**

## **Hurricane relievers**

Standing O wants to remind everyone that giving always gets a Standing O!

Three Cheers to the **Norwegian Chris**-

tian Home and Health Center. The staff has been collecting donations to help out those affected by Hurricane Sandy.

But the job isn't done yet and more supplies are needed. Call Standing O pal **Francesca LaRosa** for a list of items that are desperately needed.

Norwegian Christian Home & Health Center [1250 67th St. at 12th Avenue in Dyker Heights, (718) 306–8386].

The Brooklyn Recovery Fund is a joint effort of the Brooklyn Community Foundation, Office of the Brooklyn Borough President, (Marty is our man), and the Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce.

Visit www.brooklynrecoveryfund.org; email development@bcfny.org; or call (718) 246–6886 to get the 411 you need to make a



**HOMECREST** 

# Big man on campus

A big shout out to **Christopher Warren**.

The intrepid music teacher at **PS** 153 trekked out to Hofstra University in Long Island on Oct. 16 to witness the history-making debate between the titans of public service, presidential hopeful and former Massachusetts governor Mitt Romney and President Obama.

After the he-said, he-said, our pal Chris managed to get a snapshot with the president and an autographed program signed by both men.

Unfortunately, Chris didn't have the chance to ask either gentlemen the burning question of the hour: "If elected will you support the arts programs in America's elementary schools?"

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donation or volunteer your time.

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That is some serious brew. PS: free WiFi is available.

Brooklyn Tap House [590 Myrtle Ave. at Classon Avenue in Clinton Hill, (917) 202– 1801; www.brooklyntaphouse.com]

# **CONEY ISLAND**

# Snip, snip, hooray!

As if it's not beautiful enough, The New York Aquarium amped up its beauty appeal when it unveiled the Mural on the Wall at a whoop-de-doo ribbon-cutting ceremony on Oct. 24.

The beautiful mural is comprised of hand-made tiles lovingly crafted by members of the Frederick Douglass Senior Center, Sheepshead Nostrand Community Center, and A Space for Art-JASA Senior Alliance Senior Center. Artist **Jennifer Wade** led the workshops where lobsters, star fish, octopi and visions of the briny deep were forever immortalized on ceramic tiles

New York Aquarium [602 Surf Ave. at W. Eighth Street in Coney Island, (718) 265–3474].



# FIGHTING SANDY WITH ART

# Flooded venues recover from devastating surge

**By Danielle Furfaro** 

andbags weren't the only line of defense against Hurricane

One arts venue on the banks of the Gowanus Canal, the Gowanus Ballroom, used several tons of steel in order to fight the storm surge — but to no avail.

"We spent 48 hours barricading the building, setting up pumps, sealing everything off," Josh Young said about his 15-year-old combination venue space that has its own metal shop. "We put 6,000 pounds of steel behind the roll gates. We made it watertight."

The hope was that the weight of the sculptures would hold down the roll gates. But when the storm hit, not even the largest installation pieces could prevent the gates from flying open.

"The whole roll gate just collapsed and a 20-foot wave of water came across the ballroom," said Young. "There were welders flying and tables flipping over."

The Gowanus Ballroom was one of several Brooklyn performance venues and galleries that were critically damaged during the hurricane.

Coney Island USA, known for its sideshows and burlesque performances, was another heavily damaged space.

"Our ground floor, which has our bar, cafe, our gift shop, the theater, and the dressing rooms in it, was all under five feet



Audited: Thousands of drenched pieces of paper and receipts line the floors of the Gowanus Ballroom after Sandy's floodwaters invaded the space.

of water," said unofficial mayor of Coney Island Dick Zigun. "Everything fell over and floated and bumped around."

Luckily, the landmarked venue had just wrapped up its fall season and is closed for the winter. So, they have a few months to fix the damage. To that end, Zigun plans to organize a benefit, but that has not been scheduled yet.

Galapagos Performance Space in DUMBO was similarly left underwater.

"We found seaweed under the stage," said executive director Robert Elmes. "The water was everywhere."

The staff and performers at Galapagos spent days frantically cleaning up, and were ready to have a show there five days

But there is still much to be done. Elmes estimates that the venue sustained \$150,000 to \$200,000 worth of damage.

"It's things that audience can't see," he said. "If anything, the place looks really shiny."

Galapagos is also planning to set up a fund raiser, but Elmes hasn't arranged a date yet. No matter what happens, he said the venue will persevere.

"Culture can't get knocked down and not get back up." he said. "We have to use the adversity to push forward."

How to help out: The Gowanus Ballroom [55 Ninth St. between Second Avenue and Smith Street in Gowanus, (347) 460-2687, www.gowanusballroom.com] will hold a fund raiser show on Nov. 24 at 6 pm, featuring regulars as well as special guests. \$15 donation. Check www.coneyisland.com and www. galapagosartspace.com to find out more.

# **AROUND TOWN**

# SECOND HAND, FIRST RATE

# Our guide to vintage shopping in Williamsburg and Greenpoint

By Natalie Musumeci

ust because you love vintage wares doesn't mean you can't love your iPhone.

A Williamsburg and Greenpoint shopping crawl is a self-guided bargain hunt for some of the hippest clothes, furniture, and trinkets dating back to your grandmother's time—and it's led solely through a mobile app.

Fans of old-timey Hollywood sequins and restored church benches who would rather use a smart phone than carry around a cumbersome paper map can find great deals at the most fashionable vintage shops in North Brooklyn on Nov. 11 between noon and 8 p.m. at the Brooklyn Vintage Crawl, which features up to 21 shops — eight bars for needed rest and refreshments.

But in case you have a hankering for an old-school foldable guide you can easily slip into your purse, here's our picks for the vintage shops you don't want to miss:

**French inspired:** Le Grand Strip specializes in shoes, bags and dresses "from the Victorian era all the way to the 90s with an accent on the 80s and 20s," said owner Cc McGurr.

Le Grand Strip [197 Grand St. between Bedford and Driggs Avenues in Williamsburg, (718) 599-3525].

Eclectic mix: Shopping at Fox and Fawn, which has some of the best old school clothes

for women, will land you a free vintage gift with any purchase.

Fox and Fawn [570 Manhattan Ave. in Greenpoint, (718) 349-9510].

Antique décor: Brooklyn Reclamation offers a range of antique furniture and miscellaneous knick-knacks dating back to the 1800s. Owners are offering 20 percent off everything in the store.

Brooklyn Reclamation [676 Driggs Ave. in Williamsburg, (718) 218-8012].

**Handcrafted:** Treehouse Brooklyn features a myriad of handmade goods from independent and local designers. The shop is offering 25 percent off all vintage items the day of the crawl.

Treehouse Brooklyn [430 Graham Ave. between Withers and Frost Streets in Williamsburg].

**Rustic denim:** Loren, a clothing boutique that specializes in denim and handmade jeans, also has custom pants, shorts, and even guitar straps. All vintage jackets will be 20% off.

Loren [80 Nassau Ave. in Greenpoint, (718) 529-5771].

For more information visit www.vintage-crawl.com.



Fitting: A customer, and actress from Belgium, Charlotte Vandermeersch tries on a glamorous vintage dress at Le Grand Strip in Williamsburg with the help of owner Cc McGurr.

Photos by Stefano Giovannini







(Left to right) Williamsburg vintage store Le Grand Strip specializes in bags, shoes, and dresses while Brooklyn Reclamation stocks furniture dating back to the 1800s. Treehouse offers handmade goods from local craftsmen.

Not playing around: Playwright Robert Liebowitz has seen everything the Manhattan theater scene has to offer — and he's not impressed. Courtesy of Write Group NY

# By Sol Park

outhern Brooklyn theater's got bite.

Down the street from the Belt Parkway, a community center on a quiet block with not much else but a line of parked cars is putting on an edgy on-book performance of short plays about Vietnam vets, the Arab-American experience, and deceased fathers.

The playwrights are students of a small writing workshop, but the instructor, and director of the evening of staged readings of new works at the Block Institute, insists Manhattan's theater district's got nothing on these talents.

"I've seen so many original works with so much money behind them, yet with no rhyme or reason, no pulse, and they're not saying anything at all," said Robert Liebowitz, who worked together with writers Mohammed Said Ali and Ted Montouri.

"These plays are simple, one act, one place, one day — it's not the Allies landing in Normandy, but they

tell a story, they have a beginning, middle, and end."

The Play's the thing in Brooklyn, not Manhattan

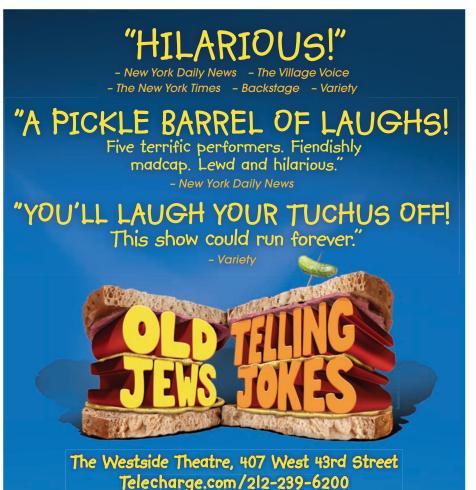
Ali's works, "Untitled" and "Yusef," both explore the Arab-American experience, from youths hanging out on the Coney Island Boardwalk to a woman's unexpected pregnancy. Montouri's play "Webbs," is about two young men in the military, one white, one black, when the war in Vietnam erupts.

Liebowitz said that the plays reflect the tumultuous times the country and the city face, and that he was proud of the work — especially when compared to other contemporary works.

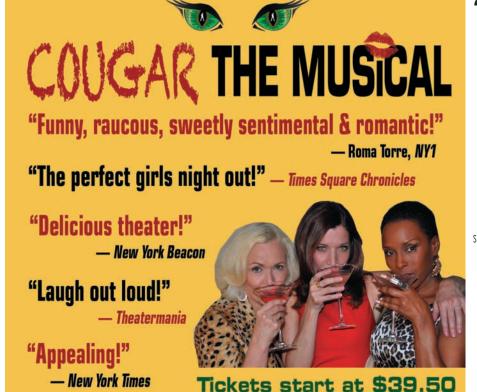
"The issue is that there is local talent in Brooklyn that is just as good if not better than what you see in Manhattan," said Liebowitz.

"I've seen hundreds if not thousands of plays in Manhattan, and the the work is generally ka-ka."

"RidgeWrites" at the Block Institute [376 Bay 44th St. between Shore Parkway and Hunter Avenue, in Bath Beach (347) 492–0534]. Nov. 10, 7 pm, \$10.



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# AROUND TOWN

# **GRAPHIC PERFORMANCES**

# Cartoonists are the main characters at this show

By Chuck O'Donnell

n artist is taking the page to the stage.

Music, audience interaction, and a big reveal — R. Sikoryak's live drawing performance "Carousel" is a media mashup that takes the solitary endeavor of drawing comics and brings it to the masses.

And, there's always the chance that things could fall apart.

"It is a little scary — you can totally screw up the drawing while everyone watches," said Sikoryak, who authored "Masterpiece Comics" for Drawn & Quarterly and has drawn for "The New Yorker" and "MAD."

"But if you are already a compulsive doodler and can think on your feet, then you can improvise. Or if you come prepared with a plan and rehearse in advance, you can deliver a very specific experience. That's what I try to do — it's like learning dance steps or memorizing a monologue."

Sikoryak's live drawing performances are just one facet of "Carousel: Cartoon Slide Shows and Other Projected Pictures." It's a comics variety show he's curated and emceed since 1997. He recruits dozens of artists to come up on stage and narrate their images, which are presented as a slide show. When these artists bring along actors, sound effects and music, the experience feels more like an old-time radio show than a highfalutin

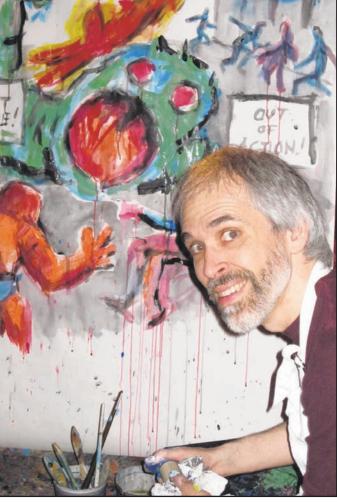
piece of performance art.

In previous performances, cartoonist Michael Kupperman read his work while dressed as Mark Twain, complete with bushy hair, moustache, and white suit. John Kovaleski escaped from a straight jacket while his silent comics were projected, one panel at a time. Sam Henderson brought bubble wrap for the kids to pop during his cartoon.

Sikoryak has assembled another all-star cast for the next "Carousel" performance at the Brick theater in Williamsburg. Cartoonists John Porcellino, Nine Antico, Molly O'Connell, and Lauren Weinstein will read from their work. Norwegian comics collective Dongery will also perform. Plus Franco-Belgian comics publisher Fremok will make a special presentation of its rarely screened short film "Match de catch à Vielsam," which documents their comics collaborations at an arts center for people with mental disabilities.

"Carousel" will be part of the Brooklyn Comics and Graphics Festival, along with gallery exhibitions, films, lectures, and a chance for artists to show and sell their books.

R. Sikoryak's "Carousel: Cartoon Slide Shows and Other Projected Pictures" at the Brick Theater [579 Metropolitan Ave. at Lorimer Street, (718) 285–3863, www.comicsandgraphicsfest.com]. Nov. 11, 3 pm, \$12.



It's live!: Cartoonist R. Sikoryak walks the line with his live painting sessions, a part of his comic-book extravaganza "Carousel."

Photo Courtesy of R. Sikoryak

# Disorienting performance art hits Bushwick gallery

By Hannah Palmer Egan **♦** haos begets creativity — or is it the other way around? Masked, shouting, and scantily-dressed — and undressed - performers surround and mingle with the audience, spraying fire into the air and frequently pulling spectators into the fray, as otherworldly, futuristic sounds echo through a spacious Bushwick loft. This is the chaotic world of Estonia-based Non Grata, a travelling band of performance artists from around the world, known for violent, sometimes-disorienting, performances.

Artist Myk Henry, who participated in the group's Grace Exhibition Space series this month after having traveled Europe twice with the group, was thrilled to partake.

"[It has been] one of the most rewarding experiences of my life,



On the ropes: Artist Myk Henry performs as a part of a new series at Grace Exhibition Space.

Photo by Hannah Palmer Egan

because you're really in the artmaking process," said Henry, noting that high-risk performance art is catching on world-wide. "The whole performance art scene is really booming right now. It's spreading like wildfire."

Visitors looking for a dose of

excitement can expect performances to feel something "like a brainshock," said gallery co-director Jill McDermid-Hokanson, who runs Grace with her husband, Erik Hokanson.

According to Non Grata member Amber Lee, who will be performing on Nov. 16, everything happens in real-time, typically without rehearsal. Performances unfold on their own volition — each member is charged with creating her own presentation.

"[Members] let the chaos of all these different performances ensue," Lee said. "You never know what to expect when you're performing."

Non Grata at Grace Exhibition Space [840 Broadway at Park Street in Bushwick, (646) 578– 3402, www.grace-exhibition-space. com]. \$10 suggested. Friday nights through Nov. 30.

# Jam from the past



Pa-rum-pum-pum: Percussionist Billy Martin of the jazz jam band Medeski Martin & Wood is playing with his first drum instructor and showing off artwork at a show.

### By Danielle Furfaro

riends who play together, stay together.

Medeski Martin & Wood might be jazz percussionist Billy

Medeski Martin & Wood might be jazz percussionist Billy Martin's most well-known project, but he has also played with the likes of the Lounge Lizards, John Zorn, and Iggy Pop. In fact, the jazz jam band drummer has made it a point to write and play with as many people as he can, and for his latest show in Brooklyn he's inviting his first drum teacher as well as his former students.

"What I get done is what I'm most passionate about," said Martin, who is from Brooklyn but now lives in Englewood, New Jersey. "I like working on a lot of different projects."

In "Festival of Percussion & Art" Martin will perform with his old teacher Allan Herman — who Martin met when he was only 11 years old.

Seeing Herman perform is something of a treat, says Martin.

"Allan doesn't perform much anymore, so when he does, it's special," he said.

He will also play with the Fang Percussion Group, mostly made up of his former students.

"We're going to play a piece called 'Stridulations for the Good Luck Feast'," said Martin. "It's a massive rhythmic landscape based on cricket music."

The night of musical guests will also feature examples of his prolific painting career. His artwork has appeared on Medeski Martin and Wood album covers, and he's had gallery showings around the city.

Martin said he was inspired by the Shapeshifter Lab, which is a large loftstyle venue in Park Slope.

"When I played there a half a year ago, I fell in love with the space. It reminded me of when I used to play lofts in Manhattan and Brooklyn," said the 49-year-old. "So I thought it would be a great place to do a combination art exhibit and show."

Billy Martin's "Festival of Percussion & Art" at Shapeshifter Lab [18 Whitewell Pl. between Carroll and First streets, (646) 820–9452, www. shapeshifterlab.com]. Nov. 16, art 7 pm, free, music 8:30 pm, \$12.





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# **EVENTS**

### FRI, NOV. 9

MOVIE NIGHT: Shorts and a full length family appropriate movie. Freel 6:15. The Moxie Spot [81 Atlantic Ave. between Hicks and Henry streets in Brooklyn Heights, (718) 923–9710], themoxiespot.com.

WORKSHOP, FREE DIGITAL CA-REER WORKSHOP: The program provides classroom computer and digital literacy training, online work opportunities. Free. 9 am–5 pm. Opportunities for a Better Tomorrow [280 Wyckoff Ave. in Bushwick, (718) 381–3222], obt-

jobs.org/index.php/150.

GLOBAL SHOES: The exhibit, which incorporates cultural artifacts from the museum's collection and a variety of hands-on, feet-on activities, encourages children and their families to explore global cultures within the context of fantasy shoe store and factory. Suitable for children 5 to 12 years old. \$7.50 (Free for members and children under1). 10 am-5 pm. Brooklyn Children's Museum [145 Brooklyn Ave. at St. Marks Avenue in Crown Heights, (718) 735–4400], www. brooklynkids.org.

FLEA MARKET: New, used and unique items; antiques, books; electronics; garden and home items; knickknacks; music; video, vintage and retro. Free coffee and activities for children. Free. 10 am–5 pm. FleaMarkets.net [2092 Stillwell Ave. in Gravesend, (718) 765–0018], www.fleamarkets.net

"TOBIAS TURKEY": November wouldn't be complete without a visit from Tobias Turkey. Meet the determined tom on the farm along with Pushy Percival and Farmer Joe for the annual turkey puppet fest. Presented by the Shadowbox Theatre. Suitable for children 3 to 7 years old. \$10. 10 and 11:30 am. PS 3 The Bedford School [50 Jefferson Ave. at Franklin Avenue in Bedford-Stuyvesant, (212) 724–0677], www.shadowboxtheatre.org.

ICE SKATING: Bring your own skates or rent a pair. \$9 (\$7 children) plus \$5 skate rental fee. 11 am-4:20 pm and 7 TO 11 pm. Aviator Sports and Events Center [3159 Flatbush Ave. (718) 758-75001

ROCK CLIMBING: Challenge and adventure just one rock wall at a time. The wall is the tallest indoor wall in the borough standing at 35 feet. Test your endurance if you dare. Suitable for children 5 years and older. \$10 for two climbs. 11 am–4:20 pm and 7 TO 11 pm. Aviator Sports and Events Center [3159 Flatbush Ave. (718) 758–7500].

SKY-JUMP: A twelve foot bungee trampoline located on the main street level. Must weight between 40 and 150 pounds. \$6 for a 3 minute jump. 11 am-4:20 pm and 7 TO 11 pm. Aviator Sports and Events Center [3159 Flatbush Ave. (718) 758-75001.

STORY TIME WITH JORDAN:
Pre-schoolers listen to stories
from favorite books. Free. 11:30
am-noon. PowerHouse Arena
[37 Main St. at Water Street in
DUMBO, (718) 666–3049], www
powerhousearena.com.

ART, KENNETH B. DINKEL: Featured "Abstract and Inspiration." Free. 1–3 pm. Berkeley Gallery at Berkeley College [255 Duffield St. at Fulton Mall in Downtown, (914) 273–3543]. ART, PAINTINGS BY SCOTT

GOODMAN: "Breakaway", Goodman's latest collection of images, elaborate on a formal rendering of space and material. These staccato worlds are economical in form, but extend to address the surface itself. As a passage way offers no end, nor door an entry, therein lies the examination of the illusionistic nature of image-making. Free. 1pm-6pm. et al projects [56 Bogart St. in Bushwick, (914) 498–8328], www.etalprojects. com.

CHRISTMAS FAIR: Seasonal gifts, toys, raffles, and refreshments. Free. 2–8 pm. St. James Lutheran Church [2776 Gerritsen Ave. at Florence Avenue in Gerritsen Beach, (718) 743–1788].

TALK, UWE GIELEN: The emeritus professor speaks about his impressions of Sough Africa. Free. 2:30–4 pm. St. Francis College [180 Remsen St., between Court and Clinton streets in Brooklyn Heights, (718) 489–5200], https://www.sfc.edu.

ART, SCULPTURE ON DISPLAY:
Sculptor Gary Rosenthal will
help launch the holiday season in
Brooklyn Heights at the Daphne
Art Gallery, the opening night of
the gallery's "A Celebration of
Lights" exhibit of Hanukkah artwork of mixed metals and fused
glass. Free. 4–8 pm. Daphne
Art Gallery [154 Montague St.
in Brooklyn Heights, (718) 643–
0229], www.collectgaryrosenthal.com.

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CENTER CLASSIC: Will feature
the University of Kentucky vs.
the University of Maryland. To
be announced. 6:30 pm. Barclays
Center [620 Atlantic Ave. at Flatbush Avenue in Downtown, (212)
359–6387], www.barclayscenter.com

"ROCKIN' EVER AFTER": Disney On Ice presents this holiday spectacular featuring Ariel, Rapunzel, Belle, and Merida from Disney-Pixar's "Brave" in her ice debut. \$18 - \$168.7 pm. Nassau Coliseum [1255 Hempstead Turnpike in Uniondale, (800) 745–3000], www.nassaucoliseum com

"CRAZY FOR YOU": The George and Ira Gershwin musical revival is presented by the Narrows Community Theater. Notevenue has changed. \$20 (\$15 seniors, children and students). 8 pm. St. Patrick's Auditorium [97th St. and Fourth Avenue in Bay Ridge, (718) 482–3173], http://www.nctheaterny.com.

### SAT, NOV. 10

THEATER, HAMLET: Theater 2020, Brooklyn Heights resident professional theater company (www. theater2020.com) continues its outreach to the Brooklyn community with a free reading of a trimmed version of William Shakespeare's "HAMLET" featuring professional actors from the company. FREE! 1:30 pm. Brooklyn Public Library's Brooklyn Heights branch (280 Cadman Plaza West at Tillary Street in Brooklyn Heights, (212) 677–4650], www.brooklynpublicilbrary.org/branch\_library.detail.jsp?branchpageid=117.

MUSIC, PUNK ROCKER JOHNNY ANDREW: Johnny Andrew is an NYC singer-songwriter/guitar player who has performed in various venues in and around NYC and Los Angeles with different bands as well as solo. He also sings and plays guitar in the band Dead Jetsetter. No Cover. 8 pm. Freddy's Bar [627 Fifth Ave. between 17th and 18th streets in Greenwood Heights,

a ghost by the train tracks, at Invisible Dog in Cobble Hill.

(718) 768–0131], www.freddysbar.com. PARK SLOPE FLEA MARKET:

Peruse antiques, collectibles, vintage, crafts, and furniture. 8 am–6 pm. PS 321 [180 Seventh Ave. between First and Second streets in Park Slope, (917) 991–7807], www.parkslopefleamarket.com.

SALES/MAREKTS, COMMUNITY FARMERS MARKET: Every Saturday fill up your basket with wonderful locally grown produce and get some fresh prepared food, including grilled corn, watermelon, various weekly specials (vegetarians welcome!) and assorted teas and drinks. Free. 9:00am-3:00pm. Hattie Carthan Community Market (338 Clifton Pl. in Bedford Stuyvesant (BedStuy)), www.hattiecarthancommunitymarket.com.

DINING, OLIVE OIL SPECIALTY
STORE: The event will feature
food from Motorino incorporating O Live Brooklyn's oils and
vinegars. In addition, Argentinian chef Diego Biondi and chocolatier Alvaro Luna bring their culinary artistry to the celebration.
Free. 3–6 pm. O Live Brooklyn
[60 Broadway in Williamsburg,
(718) 384–0304], www.olivebrooklyn.com.

YANKEE DO THIS: Old-fashioned fair in the Heights includes a chilli bar, a underground thrift market, and holiday goods: Free. 10 am. Plymouth Church School (75 Hicks Street Brooklyn, NY 11201, (718) 624–93851.

READING IS FUN: Children share the joy of books. Free. 10–11 am. Sheepshead Bay Public Library [2636 E. 14th St. at Shore Road in Sheepshead Bay, (718) 368–1815], www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org. EDUCATION, CITIZENSHIP CLASS:

Students practice speaking skills to prepare for applying as a citizen. Also included is history and government lessons. Call for

YMCA [357 9th St., between

10:30 am. Prospect Park

Fifth and Sixth avenues in Park Slope, (212) 912–2375], www. ymcanyc.org.

CHILDREN'S BOOK READING: Grace Maccarone reads her book "Miss Lina's Ballerinas and

Grace Maccarone reads ner book "Miss Lina's Ballerinas and the Wicked Wish." Free. 11 am. Greenlight Bookstore [686 Fulton St. between S. Elliott Place and S. Portland Avenue in Fort Greene, (718) 246–0200], greenlightbookstore.com.

"HANSEL & GRETEL": The Brothers Grimm classic comes to life and music with songs by Humperdinck and adapted for marionettes by Nicolas Coppola, suggested for children 4 years old and up. \$9 (\$8 children; \$7 groups of 20 or more). 12:30 and 2:30 pm. Puppetworks [338 Sixth Ave. at Fourth Street in Park Slope, (718) 965–3391], www. puppetworks.org.

READING, PARENTING: Slate's parenting writers present Unbored—a guide for parents and kids who like to have fun. Vibrantly designed by Tony Leone, this full-color, illustrated, all-in-one guide and activity book is packed with fun. doable activities that encourage kids—and their parents—to get engaged with the wider world. Join the authors for an afternoon of demos and activities from the book's pages. Please RSVP. Free. 3 pm. PowerHouse Arena [37 Main St. at Water Street in DUMBO, (718) 666-30491, www. powerhousearena.com.

DINING, LOCAL FOOD CELEBRA-TION: Come and support The Hattie Carthan Community Farmers' Market second annual Hattie Carthan Market Farmy Folks Soiree featuring a seasonal farm - to- table spread, locally grown/produced wines, and local bread. \$40. 6–10pm. Hattie Carthan Community Market (392 Clifton Pl. in Bedford Stuyvesant (Bed-Stuy)), www.farmyfolkssoiree.wix.com/2012.

BARCLAYS CENTER, RUSSEL PETERS: The Notorious World Tour features new material from the Brampton, Ontario raised comic. Starting at \$66.25.6:30 pm. Barclays Center [620 Atlantic Ave. at Flatbush Avenue in Downtown, (212) 359–6387], www.barclayscenter.com.

CLUB, CHILL SALSA PARTY: At

A girl and her ghost: Tommy Crawford and Sarah Ellen Stephens rehearse a scene from "Take Her to See the Maco Lights," a play about a girl who meets

this salsa party, you can dance if you want to the best bachata, cumbia, and calypso and other caribbean roots music, or you can just sip a drink and enjoy the tunes from the bar. Free. 10 pm. Sycamore [1118 Cortelyou Rd. between Stratford and Westminster roads in Ditmas Park, (347) 240–5850], www.sycamore-brooklyn.com.

### **SUN, NOV. 11**

ENTERTAINMENT, NERD KARAOKE!: Arguably the borough's nerdiest watering hole, the steam-punk-themed, Dr. Wholoving Way Station now offers Brooklyn's nerdiest sing-along event on the second Sunday of every month, answering the call of singing-nerds everywhere. Free. 9 pm. The Way Station [83 Washington Ave. between Prospect Place and St. Marks Avenue in Prospect Heights, (347) 627–4949], waystationbk. blogspot.com.

FUNDRAISER, FLEA MARKET/ CONCERT: The Peace of Heat Chorus will perform. Items to be purchased. Free. 10 am–3 pm. JASA Luna park Senior Center [2880 W. 12th St. between Surf and Neptune avenues in Coney Island, (718) 996–6666].

BLOCK PARTY: Graffiti demo, artwork, and clothing and apparel sales, courtesy of the Meat Market. Free. Noon. Meat Market [380 Tompkins Ave. in Bedford-Stuyvesant, (347) 425–1683], www.ilovemeatmarket.com.

GREENCYCLE SWAP: Reduce. reuse and recycle gently used and working men's, women's and children's clothing, shoes, toys and cell phones. Free. 1–4 pm. Greenpoint Shul [108 Noble St. in Greenpoint, (917) 392–8450].

HIP TOT MUSIC FEST: The premiere family-friendly live music series in Brooklyn. On the second Sunday of every month families have a blast with a new exciting performer the whole family can enjoy. The fest features arts and crafts, face painting, local food and giveaways. \$12 Adults, \$8 Kids, \$35 family Pack (admits 4), Non-walkers free. 1:30 pm. Shapeshifter Lab (18 Whitwell Pl.

between Carroll and First streets in Park Slope), hiptot.com.

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FALL FOLIAGE FEST: Thanks to National Grid, children learn all about chlorophyl and why leaves turn color. For children 4 years old and up. Free with museum admission. 1:30–2:30 pm. Brooklyn Children's Museum [145 Brooklyn Ave. at St. Marks Avenue in Crown Heights, (718) 735–4400], www.brooklynkids. org.

VETERAN'S DAY MEDALS: Children 5 years old and younger learn the importance of community help and the role of soldiers. Free with museum admission. 2:30–3:30 pm. Brooklyn Children's Museum [145 Brooklyn Ave. at St. Marks Avenue in Crown Heights, (718) 735–4400], www.brooklynkids.org.

BARCLAYS, NBA BASKETBALL:
The Brooklyn Nets take on the
Orlando Magic. Starting at \$15.
3 pm. Barclays Center (620 Atlantic Ave. at Flatbush Avenue
in Downtown, (212) 359–6387],

www.BarclaysCenter.com.

DISCUSSION, "THEIR EYES WERE
WATCHING GOD": Radio adaptation and discussion. Host
Leonard Lopate. Free. 4 pm.
Brooklyn Public Library's Central
branch [Flatbush Ave. at Eastern
Parkway in Grand Army Plaza
in Park Slope, (718) 230–2100],
www.brooklynpubliclibrary.
org/branch\_library\_detail.
jsp?branchpageid=265.

### MON, NOV. 12

EDUCATION, COMPUTER IN-STRUCTION: Basic skills in Excel, e-mail and internet. Pre-registration required. Call for fees. 6 pm. Prospect Park YMCA [357 9th St., between Fifth and Sixth avenues in Park Slope, (212) 912–

2375], www.ymcanyc.org.
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BIEBER: He has over 43 million
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6:30 pm. Barclays Center [620
Atlantic Ave. at Flatbush Avenue

www.pillowcafenyc.com MUSIC, BARBERSHOP CHORUS **REHEARSALS:** Sweet Adelines Women's group. **Free**. 7:30–10 pm. (917) 836-4304, www.harmonize.com/brooklyn.

## TUES, NOV. 13

TEEN TIME: Children 13 to 18 years old enjoy books, games and music along with RIF book club. Free. 3–4 pm. Dyker Public Library [8202 13th Ave. between 82nd and 83rd streets in Dyker Heights, (718) 748-6261], www. brooklynpubliclibrary.org.

MUSIC, FREE "LA BOHEME": Regina Opera Company present a free fully staged performance of Puccini's romantic tragedy sung in Italian with English supertitles, and presented with piano accompaniment. The Conductor for this performance is Scott Jackson Wiley and Stage Direc-tor is Linda Lehr. **Free**. 7:00 pm. Our Lady of Perpetual Help auditorium [5902 Sixth Ave. in Sunset Park, (718) 259–2772], www.reginaopera.org

BARCLAYS, NBA BASKETBALL: The Brooklyn Nets take on the Cleveland Cavaliers. Starting at \$15. 7:30 pm. Barclays Center [620 Atlantic Ave. at Flatbush . Avenue in Downtown, (212) 359-6387], www.BarclaysCen-

### WED, NOV. 14

THEATER, A GIRL AND HER GHOST: A theater-installation invites the audience to gather around the two-person cast for an evening of intimate storytelling about that place where young lovers go to make out – and those shady train tracks where kids convene for a glimpse of the supernatural, in "Take Her to See the Maco Lights "\$15 7 pm. Invisible Dog [51 Bergen St. between Boerum Place and Smith Street, (646) 270–2550], www.theinvisibledog.org.

GREENMARKET: Local produce; fresh baked goods and seasonal goodies, WIC and Senior FMNP coupons accepted. Free. 8 am-3 pm. Bartel-Pritchard Circle (15th

St. and Prospect Park West in Prospect Park), www.prospectpark.org.

ART, BRIC-A-BRAC: Exhibition continues BRIC's rich history of documenting Brooklyn as an innovative hub for design and sustainability by selecting designers, architects and artists who focus on the environmental side of contemporary urban living. 12–6pm. BRIC Rotunda Gallery [33 Clinton Street Brooklyn, NÝ

11201, (718) 683-5604]. BARCLAYS CENTER, COACHES VS CANCER: BYU, Florida State Notre Dame, and Saint Joseph's will meet at Barclays Center for the Championship Rounds of the Coaches vs. Cancer Classic. To be announced. 6 pm. Barclays Center [620 Atlantic Ave. at Flatbush Avenue in Downtown, (212) 359-6387], www.barclayscenter.com.

DANCE, DANCE CLASS: The Federation of Italian American Organizations of Brooklyn (FIAO) is again sponsoring its popular free ballroom dance instruction for teens and seniors alike in its ballroom dance classes on Wednesday nights, Special bonus: the instructor will be Carmine "Big Screecher" Santa Maria, Free, 6 pm. I.S. 96 [99 Avenue P, between W. 11th and W. 12th streets in Gravesend, (718) 232-22661

BARCLAYS CENTER, THE WHO: They'll perform their iconic 1973 double album Quadrophenia in its entirety, along with a selection of Who classics. Starting at \$50.40. 6:30 pm. Barclays Center [620 Atlantic Ave. at Flatbush Avenue in Downtown, (212) 359-6387], www.barclayscenter.com.

MUSIC, JAZZ WEDNESDAYS: Featuring the Renee Manning Quintet. Known for her "dirty dog blues", Manning has played various venues from New York City to Hong Kong. \$10 with 1 drink minimum. 7 pm. Brooklyn Terrace [216 Duffield St. in Downtown Brooklyn, (212) 845-90791. www.brooklynterrace.com.

SEA TURTLES: Biologist from Riverhead Foundation for Marine Research and Education leads discussion on this interesting creatures and what you can do to volunteer, Recommended for older children. Reservations required. Free with museum admission. 7 pm. Quoque Wildlife Refuge [3 Old Country Road in East Quogue, (631) 653-4771], ww.auoauewildlierefuae.ora.

MUSIC, VARIOUS ARTISTS: Kelli Scarr returns to Brooklyn after a nation-wide tour in promotion of her new album Dangling Teeth. Daniel's music is simple, raw, at times dark, at times inviting. Ember Schrag spent years carv ing out a space in the Midwest as a distinctive lyricist, singer and guitarist. **Free**. 9 pm. The Way Station [683 Washington Ave. in Prospect Heights, (347)

LUNCH

THURS, NOV. 15

627-4949], waystationbk.blog-

spot.com.

DANCE-AROUND: For children \$2.50. 11. The Moxie Spot [81 Atlantic Ave. between Hicks lyn Heights, (718) 923-9710],

partnered with Harvest Home . Farmer's Market to bring fresh fruits, vegetables, ethnic products, juices and more locally grown goods. Free. 8 am-4 pm. Lutheran Lane (55th St. between First and Second avenues in Sunset Park), www.harvesthomefm.

MUSIC, CHAMBER DANCE: Nodes presents a chamber dance program at the Mark Morris Dance Center in Brooklyn featuring Debussy's Sonata for flute, viola, and harp. Each piece of music was selected to frame the show as "reflections" of Debussy's Sonata. Suggested Donation: \$10-\$15. 7 pm. Mark Morris Dance Group [Third Lafayette and Bedford Avenue in Clinton

BARCLAYS, NBA BASKETBALL: The Brooklyn Nets take on the Boston Celtics, Starting at \$15. 8 pm. Barclays Center [620 Atlantic Ave. at Flatbush Avenue in Downtown, (212) 359-63871

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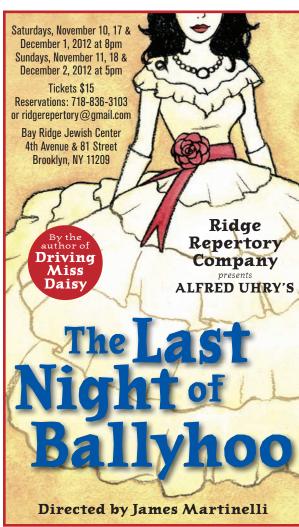
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'We go and work out at six in the morning. This year is our year.'

- South Shore High's Terrance Samuel

'During the past two years I felt I've grown as a player.'

- Poly Prep's Jacquie Kennedy

# Samuel soars, but Badgers lose IS 8 title

### BY JOSEPH STASZEWSKI

South Shore's Terrence Samuel scored 19 of his 21 points in the second half, but it wasn't enough to claw out a win against the New York Panthers as the Brooklyn Badgers fell 82-65 during the IS 8 Boy's Basketball League's fall title game on Sunday at Nazareth High School.

The Badgers got off to a slow start, but trailed by 45-35 at the half after a onehanded slam by Brooklynnative Kevin Mickle and a 3-pointer at the buzzer from Transit Tech's Fabian Mc-

Samuel, a senior point guard committed to UConn, came blazing out of the gate when the game resumed. He scored eight of his team's first nine points, including a put-back to keep the deficit at 10 with 2:20 left in the third quarter.

Setting aside his jump shot, he attacked the basket and the offensive glass, but admits that he could have done more.

"I needed to be more aggressive in the second half," Samuel said. "I'm the leader of my team. In the first half, I didn't show up.'

The Panthers responded quickly with a 9-1 spurt to end the quarter to push its lead to 65-47 and grab control of the game for good.

St. Benidict's Isaiah Briscoe, the game's most valuable player, scored 16 points for the Panthers and Svracuse commit Tyler Ennis, the league's most valuable player, scored 16 points. Shore Shore's Shamiek Sheppard dropped in 10 points and Mickle had 12 for



**UP IN THE AIR:** Iguan Fasion makes a running leap for the basket during the IS 8 Nike Tip-Off Classic at Nazareth High School on Nov. 4. Photo by Elizabeth Graham

the Badgers, which included players from Thomas Jefferson and Transit Tech.

The team reached the finals after New Heights the Rens forfeited because of Hurricane Sandy-related travel issues.

The Badgers attributed the slow start and its 22-12 deficit after one quarter to having to warm up for an hour and a half before tipoff as the team waited for a second referee to arrive.

Following the layoff from Hurricane Sandy, the team needed a quarter to find its legs, players said.

'We weren't really getting in the gym and trying to work out," said Sheppard. "But all of that is going to change."

This week marks the official start of Sheppard and Samuel's final season together at South Shore High School.

The two have been teammates since they were 8-years-old and are hoping to receive more hardware in the form of a Public School Athletic League city crown.

"The past three years we didn't get it done," Samuel said. "I felt this year we loved the game more. We go and work out at six in the morning. This year is our have really picked it up year."



DOWN TO ONE SPORT: Poly Prep's three-sport star Jacquie Kennedy committed to play basketball at Holy Family.

Photo by Joseph Staszewski

# Kennedy picks hoops over nets

BY JOSEPH STASZEWSKI

Poly Prep's Jacquie Kennedy's days as a three-sport athlete has come to an end.

The senior, who plays volleyball, basketball, and softball at the Bay Ridge school, has committed to play women's basketball at Holy Family University — and probably won't have time to play her other two favorite sports.

"I'll probably have a lot more time on my hands, but college level is a bit different," said Kennedy, who is considered the first lady of volleyball, but had to miss three weeks of regulation play after suffering a high ankle sprain.

Her coaches were stunned by the decision to play basketball in college, claiming that Kennedy could have played for a top-division school if she stuck with spiking.

"She's a good overall athlete, but she could if she wanted to," said Poly Prep volleyball coach Venessa Ruck. "If she wanted to excel in volleyball she absolutely could. She is that good."

But Kennedy says basketball has always been her first love — as well as the sport she's played the longest. She dedicated herself to hoops in the off season, playing travel ball with the NYC Lady Warriors over the last two summers, learning the subtle nuances of the game from coaches Joe DeLuca and Ahmed Allen.

"Over the past two years I felt I've grown as a player," she said.

The five-foot-10 Kennedy, who can is considered an underrated defender, helped lead the Blue Devils to the New York State Association of Independent School's basketball final last sea-

She is hoping to do the same with the school's Continued on Page 36

# Smith is Storm-ing ahead!

### BY JOSEPH STASZEWSKI

Canarsie native Shenneika Smith hit a gamewinning 3-pointer to give St. John's Red Storm its first win over UConn since 1993 — breaking the Huskies' stunning 99-game winning streak — and she has former coach Apache Paschall to thank.

Paschall — who coached Smith at St. Michael's Academv and the Exodus travel team — died in January, but would have been proud of her for taking the shot, let alone making it. She had only hit three 3-pointers up until that point and was a bit stunned that she had the guts and confidence to shoot.

"At times he said I didn't want the ball or I shouldn't back down," Smith said. "I think he's proud of me that

Smith's also heeded life lessons from her St. John's coaches. First-year head coach Joe Tartamella, who was the top assistant under previous coach Kim Barnes Arico, has seen the Brooklyn hoops star grow both on and off the court.

Tartamella said the senior guard is communicating better and is more prepared for life after basketball, including a possible professional career.

"I think she is in a place now where she's become a leader," Tartamella said.

Smith came in as a nationally-ranked high school prospect and has been a consistent performer for St. John's, averaging 12.4 points per game and 5.6 rebounds last season. An All-Big East first team selection a year ago and this

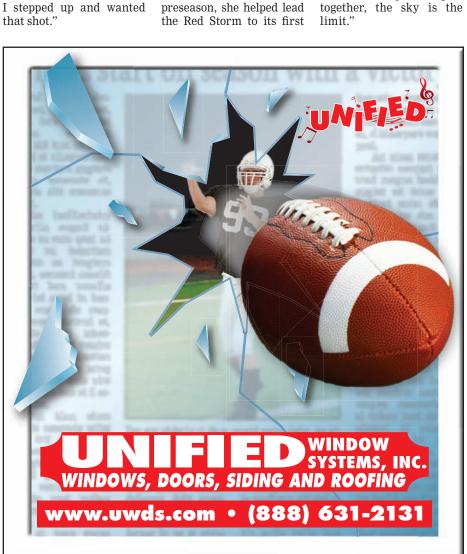
ever Sweet 16 and a second place regular season finish, her coaches say.

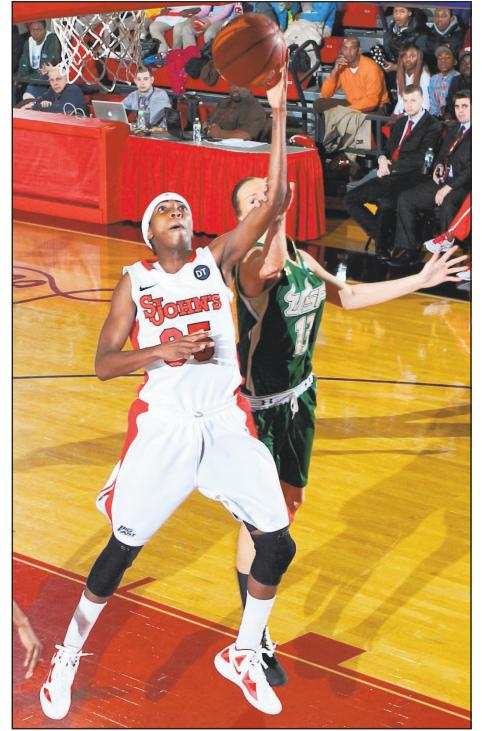
"She's always had these expectations to be the best player on the team, but she's become more of a complete player and a compete teammate," Tartamella said.

Smith is hoping to complete her college career in a big way. The Red Storm entered the season nationally ranked in multiple polls and was picked to finish fourth in the Big East.

She's hoping for St. John's to host a National Collegiate Athletic Association tournament game in March and go further in the NCAA tournament.

"We know what we can do as a team and as a group," Smith said. "If we continue to fight and pull





STORMING THROUGH: Canarsie native Shennika Smith helped St. John's Red Storm grab its first victory over UConn since 1993. Courtesy St. John's Athletic Communications

# Kennedy

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volleyball team.

The season got off to a slow start with her sitting and watching the team struggle because of both her injury and senior Kerri Saputo's strained Achilles tendon.

But the Blue Devils' play has improved of late. The team won the school's

Brooklyn's Best tournament without Kennedy in late September and posted victories in six of the team's next seven matches, including one over Fieldston, the defending state champions.



SWITCHING SIDES: Kevin Mickle (right) came to the IS 8 tournament with his teammates from New Jersey, but played for Brooklyn. Photo by Elizabeth Graham

## Mickle sets his sights on the NBA

#### BY DANIEL MARTIN

Nothing was going to keep Brooklyn native Kevin Mickle from playing in the Nike IS 8 Basketball Tournament championship game at Nazareth High School on Sunday — not even Hurricane Sandy.

Mickle drove from St. Benedict's Prep in New Jersey with his teammates, only to play against them as part of the Brooklyn Badgers in the 82-65 loss to the New York Panthers. It wasn't an easy trip home, Mickle recalls.

"They started talking a little bit, but it's all fun," he said.

The senior forward tallied 12 points on the afternoon, including a skying putback dunk that cut the Brooklyn deficit to just 10 points going into halftime. Badger players said they were glad to have Mickle on their side, even if he was going up against his own teammates from the Garden State.

"Him catching the and finishing around the hoop helped a lot," said Badger player and South Shore senior Shemiek Sheppard.

The 6-foot-7, 210-pound Mickle is committed to play for Central Connecticut State of the Northeast Conference next season. He transferred to St. Benedict's from Adelphi Academy in Bay Ridge and his raw athleticism and low-post presence has improved since taking the leap.

"I knew I would get better at St. Benedict's because of the guys I'm playing against in practice," he said.

St. Benedict's also happens to have the most highly recruited players in the country a bonus if you're setting your sights on a career in the sport.

"I want to work hard and try to dominate the league," Mickle said. "That's hopefully my ticket to the NBA.'

## Lewis commits to St. John's

## Bishop Ford senior point guard sheds tears over decision

#### BY JOSEPH STASZEWSKI

Tears ran down Aalivah Lewis' cheeks before she could utter the words St. John's.

It was at that moment it hit the Bishop Ford senior point guard that her decision to play women's basketball at the Big East school was more than just a sign of her moving on in her career — but in life as well.

"It got really emotional," the normally unflappable Lewis said. "I couldn't believe I'm announcing my school right now. I just broke down."

Her showing of emotion — as she picked the Red Storm over Seton Hall and Virginia Tech at a press conference at the Park Slope school on Friday — even surprised Falcons coach Mike Toro and her mother Sabrina Murray.

"It meant a lot to her," Murray said. "She normally never shows any emotions."

Lewis wanted to announce her choice on Nov. 5 — her mother's birthday but following her visit to St. John's last weekend she couldn't wait.

"I knew I wanted to go there," said Lewis, who put on a St. John's hoodie. "I couldn't wait. I couldn't hold it in."

She said she felt a lovalty to St. John's firstyear head coach Joe Tar-

He recruited her since she was a freshman and he was an assistant coach.

She also felt she fit well with the players and the squad's up-tempo style. St. John's, which is coming off its first ever trip to the Sweet 16, was her second scholarship offer after Rutgers.

The Red Storm is getting one of the Brooklyn's best players in the 5-foot-5 Lewis, who is ranked No. 96 in her class nationally

She's the sixth Division I girls basketball player

from Ford in the last four

years, but the program has reached new heights with her in the lineup.

Lewis helped lead the Falcons to an undefeated city title as a freshman.

The team reached its first ever Brooklyn-Queens title game with her on the court. Lewis is a vocal leader on the hardwood, a blur with the basketball in her hand, and a streaky outside shooter. No one is more determined to win, her coaches

"She wants to be the player," Toro said.

"She is not scared of pressure. She is willing to take the big shot.

"She is willing to carry a team."

Unlike on the court, Lewis let her guard down

for a rare moment as she paused to compose herself at the microphone before announcing her choice. She realized a new life and a new program is in her immediate future.

"It's that I'm grown DT up," Lewis said.

"I'm about to go to the next level. I'm about to be on my own. I'm about to be a grown lady."

## Ida's was on fire last week!

Elections come and go. Politicians rise and fall. Ida buys the news every day and sure, things change — they now quote people from a website called Twitter but the so many things stay the same.

The age-old rifts sometimes seem as if they never go away. Perhaps that's why our autumn oracle chooses the gridiron game, an everlasting sport of renewal, beauty, and yes, brutality.

Ida was sitting at a bar on a recent Sunday — she was back in Sheepshead Bay indefinitely — nursing a drink she did not divulge the contents of out of a mug. Only a fool would ask what it was.

She glanced toward the corner of the bar.

"Politics?" she said, nodding towards a man staring up a cable news station on TV, his eyes transfixed on the technicolor blaze as headlines crawled mindlessly across the bottom of the screen. "Football is a far better sport."

Ida continued to sip at her mysterious drink, and offered up no further words or wisdom, saying only that the election, and its dueling candidates, with their glut of words, had damped her appetite for inspiration this week.

#### Ida's picks:

Colts (-3), Falcons (-2.5), Lions (-2), Rams (12), Broncos (-3.5), Chargers (3), Dolphins (-6), Bills (11), Eagles (EVEN), Raiders (7), Chiefs (12.5),

Giants (-4.5) over Bengals. "Giants are legitimate."

Seahawks (-6.5) over Jets "Don't tell my son."

Kryptonite pick of the

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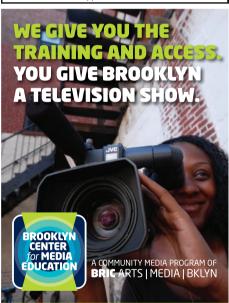
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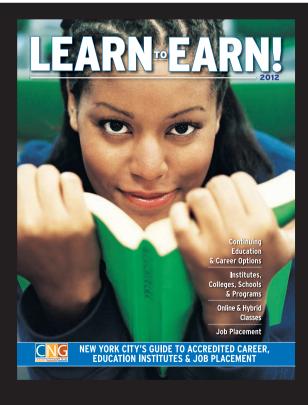
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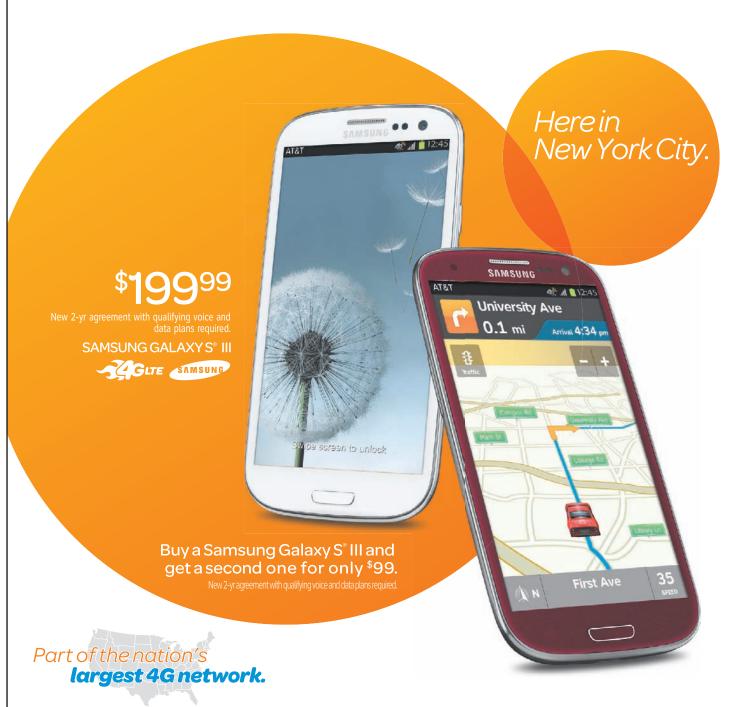
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