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Nathan's: Hold the mustard

BY WILL BREDDERMAN

Nathan's Famous won't reopen its Hurricane Sandy-battered Coney Island eatery until next spring, this paper has learned.

The super storm that ravaged the People's Playground in October forced the iconic frankfurter emporium to close for the first time in its 96-year history, company officials say.

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Keeping warm

Juliet Courgis, 11, sips hot chocolate during last week's annual Shore Road Parks Conservancy tree lighting. Check out all the holiday fun on **page 55**.

Photo by Steve Solomonson

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CONEY SEWER SLAM

Residents: We need our pipes
fixed before the next storm

BY WILL BREDDERMAN

Talk about raising a stink!

A group of outraged Hurricane Sandy victims nearly ran Councilman Domenic Recchia out of a Community Board 13 meeting on a rail last Wednesday after the legislator announced that a desperately needed Coney Island sewer repair project won't begin until 2016.

Residents have been demanding the city update the neighborhood's infrastructure for years, claiming that sewers constantly overflow during big storms.

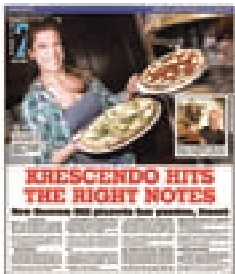
"If we get a hard rain, a tough rain, we're going to get that water again. And it's not good," said CB13 member Ronald Stewart.

When Hurricane Sandy hit, sewer backups washed out most of the neighborhood's residential streets, say residents, who claim the People's Playground won't survive another major storm if it doesn't get the upgrade the city promised.

"We can't survive to 2016 if we get another Sandy!" resident Kenny Jones said. "Why is Coney

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LET THERE BE LIGHT!

Brooklyn Public Library opens first 'green' branch in Kensington

BY ELI ROSENBERG

Who needs iPads if you have windows?

As libraries across the borough are stocking up on the latest electronic readers, the new Kensington public library is bringing back the age-old tradition of reading by sunlight — with a “green” building that will provide borough bibliophiles a windowed space to read and work.

Library officials say the new Kensington branch uses 30 percent less energy than other buildings its size thanks to its huge skylight and windows built on both sides of the 18th Avenue building.

“There should be enough daylight coming from the windows that we won’t even need lighting,” said David Burney, the commissioner of the city’s Department of Design and Construction.

The building’s lights will automatically turn on and off based on how much light is flooding the space, designers say. The branch also has several solar-powered sculptures, created by artists Carol May and Tim Watkins, hanging from the ceiling that will rotate on bright, sunny days.

The new home for the Kensington branch, which was on Ditmas Avenue before the move, will have 24 new computers, more than 40,000 books, three iPads for children, and four self-checkout machines.

Its opening comes as the Brooklyn Public Library closed down five branches heavily damaged from Hurricane Sandy.

Borough officials were ecstatic about the comple-



A GREEN, WELL-LIGHTED PLACE: (Above) Three-year-old Yefim Modz digs into a book at the new Kensington Branch. (Right) The \$16-million dollar project is crowned with a large skylight — making natural light one of the new branch’s main attractions.

Photos by Steve Solomonson



tion of the new branch building.

“This is not your grandparent’s library!” Borough President Markowitz exclaimed, assuring a group of children attending the 18,000 square foot library’s opening that nothing will ever replace the printed word. “When I used to go to libraries they were always dark, so dark!”

Others savored the new building, knowing it could

be decades before the city builds a new branch.

“We are literally here in the library of the future,” said Councilman David Greenfield (D-Borough Park), who called the new \$16 million branch the “first new library in decades and possibly the last.”

Residents of Councilman Brad Lander’s district voted to allocate \$80,000 for books and equipment for the library during a partici-

patory budgeting meeting the Kensington legislator held last year.

Patrons using the library for the first time were quick to extoll the sunny new space, especially when they compared it to the Ditmas Avenue location, which was an old catering hall before becoming a hall of knowledge.

“I love all this light,” said Mike McKegney, a retired librarian who worked in

the old Kensington branch for 23 years before retiring in 2010. “The old building was in bad shape.”

The Brooklyn Public Library has worked hard on modernizing its branches, many of which now have self-checkout machines, gaming programs for children, and e-readers. The Brooklyn Public Library also has a self-publishing book machine in its Central Branch.



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COUNTING CENTS: Attorney General Eric Schneiderman wants to make sure every penny is accounted for in Borough President Markowitz's Hurricane Sandy relief fund. Photo by Arthur De Gaeta

Marty's relief fund under scrutiny

BY WILL BREDDERMAN

The state's top lawyer is keeping his eye on Borough President Markowitz's Hurricane Sandy relief fund.

Attorney General Eric Schneiderman has requested a full financial disclosure from the Brooklyn Recovery Fund — which Markowitz co-founded with the Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce and Brooklyn Community Foundation to help rebuild storm-slammed neighborhoods — along with 74 other groups raising money for relief, including the Mayor's Fund to Advance New York City, the

Red Cross, and Acupuncturists Without Borders.

"In light of the importance of the recovery efforts, and the enormous amount of money raised in such a short period of time, it is critical that donors know where their money is going, and that funds are spent responsibly," said Schneiderman, who is not only looking for how much money has been raised, but where the money is going. Schneiderman also wants to know what the charities are going to do with the extra funds. "In the name of transparency and account-

ability, we must ensure that funds raised for Hurricane Sandy relief are used for that purpose."

Brooklyn Recovery Fund officials said there's nothing wrong with their books, and they are happy to cooperate with Schneiderman's office.

"What we've seen from past crises is that there are always some organizations that seek to take advantage of the situation, so I think it's an appropriate thing for the attorney general to look into," said Brooklyn Community Foundation president Marilyn Gelber, who's

managing the Recovery Fund — and who said that 100 percent of the money raised would go toward repair efforts in Brooklyn.

Gelber added that her group has already raised \$1.5 million, and has awarded \$250,000 in grants to non-profit groups rebuilding Sandy-ravaged Coney Island, Seagate, Red Hook, and Gerritsen Beach.

"This is Brooklyn, we move fast," said Gelber, noting that her group only supplies the money to non-profits. "We're not a direct service organization like the Red Cross."

Rejected rehab center addicted to Kings Highway

BY COLIN MIXSON

A drug rehab center shot down by Gravesend residents who didn't approve of the facility's clientele has found a new home 17 blocks away from its original location.

Members of Community Board 15 in Sheepshead Bay approved One World Counseling's request to open up on Kings Highway near E. 17th Street on Nov. 27, even though another community panel criticized owner Dmitri Oster's request to build a facility that will cater to probationers, parolees, and those sentenced to rehab as an alternative to prison near Kings Highway and McDonald Avenue.

Community Board 11, which represents residents

of Gravesend, Bensonhurst, and Bath Beach, said "no, no, no" to the rehab center last month, claiming that Oster misrepresented the population his facility would serve.

"We feel strongly that this is not a good fit for the area," said CB11 District Manager Marnee Elias-Pavia.

Yet Oster claimed he never met with CB11 members — just with CB15.

"Basically, we have no dealings with CB11 and that site on McDonald Avenue," said Oster. "It was something we were exploring, but we have no dealings with CB11."

CB 15 thought the commercial location on Kings Highway near E. 17th Street was a good fit for the coun-

seling center. The area has plenty of public transportation and very few children that would come across addicts waiting for treatment, they said.

"He asked about Kings Highway and I told him it's commercial," said CB15 chairwoman Theresa Scavo. "It is less than one block from the train, the Kings Highway bus is right there, and patients will be able to reach it by mass transit without having to walk several blocks."

Yet the board's approval is only advisory: the city and the state Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse may turn Oster's application down.

Oster acknowledged that he does accept referrals from city courts but said that the majority of his patients are referred to him through hospitals and community-based organizations, especially Turkish-speaking groups.

"We have a lot of ties with the Turkish speaking community, which is growing in Southern Brooklyn," said Oster.

One World Counseling has already picked up a lease for the location near E. 17th Street, and expects to open up shop within the next three months, Oster said.



License and registration, please

A not-too-happy police officer corrals a swan found walking along Flatlands Avenue in Canarsie on Monday morning. A handful of cops moved the waterfowl along until it reached its destination — the waters off the Canarsie Pier.

Photo by Elizabeth Graham

McDonalds oil fight

BY COLIN MIXSON

Two McDonald's employees were arrested for dousing each other in hot cooking oil during a fracas in the Canarsie fast food restaurant, this paper has learned.

Police say that Kishana Cox, 26, was arrested on Nov. 9 for drenching a 19-year-old

co-worker during an argument inside the Rockaway Parkway eatery between Glenwood Road and Conklin Avenue.

The co-worker, identified as Vernon Forbes, was also arrested for dousing Cox in the bubbling fry fat "without provocation," according to court records.

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BIRD LOVERS: (Left) Joe Lombardi and paramedic Matthew Giancalone tend to a falcon on the side of the Belt Parkway on Nov. 30.

THE FALCONER

Bird is the word on the Belt Parkway

BY COLIN MIXSON

A first responder is always willing to help a New Yorker in need — regardless of species.

An FDNY paramedic busy repairing his Hurricane Sandy-damaged Sheepshead Bay home took time to help a wounded falcon found in distress on the Belt Parkway.

"I heal people, not birds. But I'm still a New Yorker, so I decided to help it," Matthew Giancalone said. "That's what I do."

Giancalone said he was on a Home Depot run with his brother-in-law on Nov. 30 when he spotted an NYPD housing officer trying to shoo the disabled raptor off the highway near the Ocean Parkway exit.

The cop was trying to prod the apparently injured bird into action with — of all things — a nightstick.

"I stopped and said, 'put it under the bird's chest and see if he'll step on it, like a perch,'" Giancalone remembered.

"That didn't work, so I just kind of put the stick between the bird's legs and made him walk till he was off the highway."

Once the bird was out of danger, the kind-hearted trio went about examining the apparently flightless falcon.

"There was something



BIG MAN, LITTLE BIRD: NYPD Housing Inspector Vincent Salerno made an unlikely friend when he helped this wounded falcon off the Belt Parkway on Nov. 30.

Photos by Paul Martinka

wrong with it," the medic said. "It seemed like the right wing was sticking

out a little farther than the left one, like it was maybe busted, but I couldn't tell."

After making calls to the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals and local zoos — all of which refused to take the falcon — a Manhattan animal hospital agreed to accept the bird of prey.

The falcon seemed appreciative for their help as the trio stroked the bird and gave it water from the bottom of a Poland Spring bottle.

"He was just kind of hanging around," said Giancalone. "He was letting us pet him. He was very cool."

The paramedic said he hasn't heard from the hospital — or the bird — since a police cruiser carried it off. He's eager for any news regarding the falcon's prognosis, and said he'd be happy to take it if nobody else claims the bird.

"I would love to take it," he said. "I'd probably have to call him lucky, because, let's face it, that's what he is."

Giancalone's falcon wasn't the first fowl found stranded on the Belt Parkway in recent weeks. Last month, a driver spotted a wayward swan waddling across the Belt Parkway. Police officers spent the afternoon ushering the bird to its new home in Plumb Beach.

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HISTORIC HEARTBREAK: Workers removed the Sandy-damaged iconic marquee from Coney Island's landmark Shore Theater on Nov. 16. Owner Horace Bullard says the Hurricane Sandy-ravaged sign cannot be fixed.

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Shore's historic marquee to be replaced

BY WILL BREDDERMAN

The signs, they are a-changin'!

The Shore Theater's iconic sign will not be coming back to the landmarked Coney Island building, according to the property holder, who says that the Hurricane Sandy-mangled marquee is unfixable and will have to be replaced.

Horace Bullard — who bought the former movie house in 1978 — said that the iconic sign is past repair. One of its letters blew away in the storm, which turned the sign's base into a mass of wind-twisted metal.

"It's too far gone," said Bullard.

The property owner says he plans to find a replacement sign, but wouldn't speculate as to how much it will cost or how much he's willing to spend on a building that hasn't been opened to the public for decades. The building, which was built in 1925 was made a city landmark in 2010.

"The prices are just astronomical," said Bullard, who's come under fire for failing to maintain the choice property at the corner of Surf and Stillwell avenues. "The building

looks different without the sign. It looks like it's missing something."

The city says that Bullard is legally required to keep the building's historic facade intact, but Coney's faithful claim that Hurricane Sandy did more to the Shore Theater than rip away its signature sign. There are darker problems within the building that Bullard has no intention of addressing, they claim.

"A month after the hurricane, he hasn't done anything to mitigate mold," said Coney Island Mermaid Parade founder Dick Zigun, who had to tear out the first floor of his building at the corner of Surf Avenue and W. 12th Street to prevent the harmful fungus from forming. "I looked through the storefront window there the other day, and there's still dirt and mud caked on everything."

Zigun said that the damaged interior, coupled with Bullard's failure to have the sign replaced immediately, is another example of how the Coney Island real estate magnate is neglecting a precious piece of history.

"This is the latest insult to an official New York City

landmark," said Zigun, repeating calls he made this summer demanding that the city take possession of the theater by eminent domain. "At this point, I would call him a slumlord."

Bullard claims that the inside of the building's old bandpit sustained some water damage and that the conditions aren't right for mold to grow.

"Whatever came in we're pumping out," said Bullard, adding that the theater didn't suffer the sewage back ups that hit other Surf Avenue stalwarts. "Mold is something that you have if you have pockets of leaking water, where water is constantly coming in, and drying, and coming in again."

Bullard's claims completely contradict city warnings following Hurricane Sandy, which indicate mold can form from a single exposure to moisture.

"Flood-damaged homes may have extensive mold growth," the city's Health Department announced shortly after the storm. "After a flood, it is important to clean and dry affected items as quickly as possible to prevent mold growth."

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62ND PRECINCT

BENSONHURST-BATH BEACH

Blood-colored glasses

A gang of 10 thugs brutalized a man for his phone and sunglasses on 86th Street on Nov. 28, police say.

The victim said he was between 21st Avenue and Bay 28th Street at 3:30 pm when the goons surrounded him and began beating him. The fiends then took his shades and mobile device before fleeing.

Bag beating

A brute threw a sack over an elderly woman's head and beat her in her Avenue P apartment before ransacking the premises on Dec. 2, according to cops.

The 75-year-old victim told police there was a ring at her door between W. Sixth and W. Seventh streets at 8 pm, and when she opened it, the villain covered her face and punched her repeatedly before stealing her handbag and ring. Authorities are checking security tapes from the building lobby.

Unseated

A crook stripped a vehicle parked on 84th Street on Nov. 24 — and even took the car's seats, police report.

The motorist said she left the car between 18th and 19th avenues at 9:30 pm, and came back to see the window smashed — and the mirrors, radio, and seats gone.

Old trick

Two female shysters scammed a Bensonhurst woman out of \$7,500 after approaching her on Bath Avenue on Nov. 30, police say.

The victim told cops that the two middle-aged women came up to her while she was waiting for the bus between 14th Avenue and Bay Eighth Street at 10:45 am.

The femme fatales offered to split the contents of a bank book they just found if she paid them \$7,500. The duped lady agreed, and drove with the two fraudsters to her bank, withdrew the funds, and handed them over.

The victim was told to go to a home on 86th Street between Bay Seventh and Bay Eighth streets to retrieve her share, but when she got there, the resident told her he didn't know what she was talking about.

Apple picking

A crook stole an iPhone from a car parked on Bay Parkway on Nov. 29, cops report.

The victim said he accidentally left his vehicle unlocked between 89th and 90th streets at 5:10 pm, and came back shortly after to find his device — and suitcase, backback, and credit cards — missing.

Pilled up

A robber raided a vehicle left on 86th Street for pharmaceuticals on Nov. 29, cops say.

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The victim said she parked between Bay 10th and Bay 11th streets at 6:10 pm, and returned to see a pillager had smashed her passenger-side window and taken her medication, sunglasses, purse, and credit cards.

68TH PRECINCT

BAY RIDGE-DYKER HEIGHTS

Carport crash

Bandits made off with hundreds in metal and tools from a 10th Avenue garage on Nov. 28, according to cops.

The victim reported that he left his home between 62nd Street and Fort Hamilton Parkway at 1 pm and returned four and a half hours later to find a thief had cut the lock on his garage door and taken his scrap and equipment.

Liar, liar

A crook posing as a water department employee and two accomplices ripped off a senior citizen living on Marine Avenue on Nov. 8, police say.

The 89-year-old victim said the fraudster approached her outside her home between Narrows Avenue and Colonial Road at 2 pm and introduced himself as "Bob," and told her he had to check her hot water heater.

The lady let the con artist in and stayed with him for 20 minutes in her basement. When the scammer left, the woman went upstairs to find thousands of dollars worth of her jewelry missing. A neighbor told police that he witnessed two men leaving the front door of the victim's home at 2:18 pm.

Bad call

A robber stole a woman's cellphone on 74th Street on Nov. 28, cops say.

The victim said she was between 10th and 11th avenues and talking on her mobile at 6 pm when the lowlife came up behind her, grabbed the gadget out of her hand, and ran.

Grand theft auto

An outlaw took a woman's purse from her vehicle on 64th Street on Nov. 28, cops report.

The victim told police she parked her car near Seventh Avenue at 8:30 pm and returned to it 20 minutes later to see that someone had broken in and taken her pocketbook — along with the checkbook, driver's license, credit cards, keys, and \$150 that was inside.

iPunk

A miscreant grabbed a man's iPod and credit cards off his desk at a Fourth Avenue medical center on Nov. 26, according to police.

The victim said he left his workspace at the facility between 99th and 100th streets at 5:30 pm and came back shortly afterward to see his stuff gone.

Phone home

A fiend yanked an iPhone from a woman on Senator Street on Nov. 27, say cops.

The victim told the 68th Precinct she had her device out while on her way to her apartment between Third and Fourth avenues at 9:10 pm, when the villain ran up from behind and grabbed the gadget. The ne'er-do-well then jumped into a nearby vehicle and sped off.

Drink and dive

Three goons lobbed a beer bottle at a Guatemalan man on 72nd Street on Dec. 2 — and then beat and robbed him.

The victim told cops he was riding his bicycle between Fifth and Sixth avenues at 4 am when the cask hit the back of his skull, knocking him to the ground. The terrible trio then kicked and punched him before swiping his backpack — with his clothing, passport, and \$800 in cash inside.

— Will Bredderman

60TH PRECINCT

CONEY ISLAND-BRIGHTON BEACH-SEAGATE

Hit by cart

A 16-year-old boy was arrested for biting a woman and throwing a shopping cart at her on W. 24th Street on Dec. 2.

The victim told police that she was between Mermaid and Surf avenues at 12:45 pm when the suspect bit her hand three times. The suspect then hurled a shopping cart at the victim, striking her in the head, before cops arrived and placed the suspect in custody, according to police.

Brighton beat down

Police arrested a 32-year-old man who they say beat another man on Brighton Beach Avenue on Dec. 1.

The victim told police that he was near Brighton First Street at 10:15 pm when the suspect slugged him in the face and gut several times.

Sharp threat

A 24-year-old man was arrested for threatening a woman at knifepoint on W. Fifth Street on Nov. 30.

The victim told police that she was between Neptune and W. Brighton avenues at 4:50 am when the suspect approached her, knife in hand.

"Do you want to lose your life?" the suspect allegedly uttered, according to police.

Cracked out

Police arrested a 50-year-old man was who they say illegally parked a stolen car on Surf Avenue on Nov. 29, and then faced additional charges when police discovered crack cocaine in the stolen vehicle's center console.

The arresting officer reported that he was near W. 21st Street at midnight when he witnessed the suspect park his 2001 Lexus RX300 in an illegal zone. When the officer ran the vehicle's plates, he discovered that the vehicle had been reported stolen and, upon further investigation, found drugs, according to police.

61ST PRECINCTSHEEPSHEAD BAY-HOMECREST-
MANHATTAN BEACH-GRAVESEND**Calculated crook**

A disgruntled employee threw vitriol and calculators at her boss on Kings Highway on Nov. 27 following a disagreement over pay, according to police.

The victim told police that she was between E. 17th and E. 18th streets at 1:15 pm when her employee began demanding restitution. After realizing that no amount of screaming would earn her a pay check, the wretched worker took up a calculator instead and hurled it at her boss, cops said.

Easy pickings

A knife-wielding thug robbed a 14-year-old boy on Oxford Street on Nov. 28 — taking his Samsung Galaxy cellphone.

The victim told police that he was near Shore Boulevard at 1:20 pm when the goon sauntered up and asked to use the boy's phone. Naively, the young victim handed it over, at which point the razor-wielding reprobate drew his knife and told the kid to scram, cops said.

Alarmed looter

A bungling burglar attempted to loot a man's Avenue X apartment on Nov. 28, but was shooed away by the property's alarm system.

Police officers responded to an alarm between E. 13th and E. 14th streets at 1:30 pm, where they found pry marks along the edge of the victim's front door.

The officers concluded that the thief had attempted to bust open the victim's door with some kind of tool, but was deterred by the door's deadlock and alarm system, cops said.

— Colin Mixson

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NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT: KINGS COUNTY. THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON F/K/A THE BANK OF NEW YORK AS TRUSTEE ON BEHALF OF CIT MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2007-1, Pltf. vs. DANIEL MARLON, Deft. Index #12629/08. Pursuant to judgment of foreclosure and sale entered Aug. 22, 2012, I will sell at public auction in Room 274 of Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams St., Brooklyn, NY on Jan. 10, 2013 at 2:30 p.m., prem. k/a 2409 Snyder Ave., Brooklyn, NY a/k/a Section 16, Block 5107, Lot 108. Said property beginning at a point on the Northerly side of Snyder Ave., distant 56 ft. West-erly from the corner formed by the intersection of the Northerly side of Snyder Ave. with the Westerly side of Lott St.; being a plot 42 ft. 3 ½ in. x 18 ft. 6 in. x 18 ft. Approx. amt. of judgment is \$604,798.35 plus costs and interest. Sold subject to terms and conditions of filed judgment and terms of sale. HENRY J. ACHIRON, Referee. COHN & ROTH, Attys. for Pltf., 100 East Old Country Rd., Mineola, NY. #82034

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SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS AND NOTICE
SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK - COUNTY OF KINGS INDEX NO. 13802/2011 NYCTL 2010-A TRUST AND THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON, AS COLLATERAL AGENT AND CUSTODIAN FOR THE NYCTL 2010-A TRUST, Plaintiffs -against- J.E. ROBERTS HOLDINGS INC., ANNA VIOLA, and all of her re-spective heirs, next of kin, distributees, devi-

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sees, grantees, trustees, lienors, creditors, assignees and successors in interest, if they or any of them be dead, and their respective husbands, wives or widows, if any, all of whom and whose names and places or residence are unknown to plaintiff, except as herein stated, UNLIMITED LYNX CO., THE NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE, THE NEW YORK CITY ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL BOARD, ANTHONY VIOLA REALTY, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA-INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, and “JOHN DOE No. 1” through “JOHN DOE No. 100” inclusive, the names of the last 100 defendants being fictitious, the true names of said, defendants being unknown to plaintiffs, it being intended to designate fee owners, tenants or occupants of the liened premises and/or persons or parties having or claiming an interest in or a lien upon the liened premises, if the aforesaid individual defendants be dead, their heirs at law, next of kin, distributees, executors, administrators, trustees, committees, devisees, legatees, and the assignees, lienors, creditors and successors in interest of them, and generally all persons having or claiming under, by, through, or against the said defendants named as a class, of any right, title, or interest in or lien upon the premises described in the complaint herein, Defendants. PROPERTY ADDRESS: 101 HAMILTON AVENUE, BROOKLYN, NEW YORK BLOCK: 357 LOT: 13. TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the complaint is not served with this summons, to serve a notice of appearance, on the Plaintiff Attorney(s) within 20 days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this summons is not person-

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ally delivered to you with-in the State of New York); and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint. The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt secured by the tax lien described above. Plaintiff designates Kings County as the place of trial. Venue is based upon the county where the Property being fore-closed upon is located. **NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME IF YOU DO NOT RESPOND TO THIS SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF WHO FILED THIS FORECLOSURE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT, A DEFAULT JUDGMENT MAY BE ENTERED AND YOU MAY LOSE YOUR HOME. SPEAK TO AN ATTORNEY OR GO TO THE COURT WHERE YOUR CASE IS PENDING FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON HOW TO ANSWER THE SUMMONS AND PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY. SENDING A PAYMENT TO THE PLAINTIFF WILL NOT STOP THIS FORECLOSURE ACTION. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT, ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.** Dated: September 27, 2011 New York, New York ROSENBERG & ESTIS, P.C. JAMIE C. KRAPP, ESQ. ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFFS 733 THIRD AVENUE NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10017 PHONE: (212) 867-6000 TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS: The fore-going supplemental sum-

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mons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an Order of the Court dated OCTOBER 9, 2012 and filed along with the supporting papers in the KINGS County Clerk's Office. This is an action to foreclose a tax lien. SCHEDULE 1 - DESCRIPTION ALL that certain plot, piece or parcel of land with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the County of Kings, Borough of Brooklyn, City and State of New York, known and designated on the City of New York Tax Map as Block 357 Lot 13.

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SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS AND NOTICE-SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF KINGS -FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION against ZALMEN WEBER, if living, and if he be dead, any and all other persons, who may claim as devisees, distributees, legal representatives and successors in interest of said defendants, all of whom and whose places of residence are unknown to the plaintiff , NEW YORK CITY TRANSIT AUTHORITY; TRANSIT ADJUDICATION BUREAU, NEW YORK CITY ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL BOARD, PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, JOHN DOE #1 through “JOHN DOE#12,” the last twelve names being fictitious and unknown to plaintiff, the persons or parties intended being the tenants, occupants, persons or corporations, if any, having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the premises, described in the complaint, Defendants-Index no. 21464/09. Plaintiff designates Kings County as the place of trial sites of the real property. To the above named Defendants-YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or , if the complaint is not served with this summons, to serve a notice of appearance on the Plaintiff's Attorney within 20 days af-

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ter the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this summons is not personally delivered to you with-in the State of New York) in the event the United States of America is made a party defendant, the time to answer for the said United States of America shall not expire until (60) days after service of the Summons; and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint. HELP FOR HOMEOWNERS IN FORECLOSURE; New York State law requires that we send you this notice about the foreclosure process. Please read it carefully. Mortgage foreclosure is a complex process. Some people may approach you about “saving” your home. You should be extremely

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careful about such promises. The state encourages you to become informed about your options in foreclosure. There are Government agencies, legal aid entities and other non-profit organizations that you may contact for information about foreclosure while you are working with your lender during this process. To locate an entity near you, you may call the toll-free helpline maintained by the New York State Banking Department at 1-877-226-5697 or visit the department's website at: <http://www.banking.state.ny.us/>. The State does not guarantee the advice of these agencies. The Banking department shall post on its website or otherwise make readily available the name and contact information of government agencies or non-profit organizations that may be contacted for information

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about the foreclosure process, including maintaining a toll-free helpline to disseminate the information required by this section. We are attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. The foregoing summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an order of the Honorable Karen B. Rothenberg dated October 18th, 2012. The object of this action is to foreclose a mortgage and covering the premises known as 14A Lake Avenue, Brooklyn, NY located at Block 8796 and Lot 53. Dated: October 26th, 2012 Berkman, Henoch, Peterson & Paddy, P.C., Attorney for Plaintiff, By: Pesia M. Kinraich, 100 Garden City Plaza, Garden City, NY 11530 (516) 222-6200.

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TREE-MENDOUS PAIN: The base of a Sandy-toppled tree has blocked Yanina Krubitski's driveway – and her car – for more than a month.
Photo by Elizabeth Graham

STUMPED BY SANDY

Uprooted tree blocks Ridge driveway

BY WILL BREDDERMAN
Try getting to the root of this problem!
A upended tree stump has kept a Bay Ridge family's vehicle trapped in its driveway for more than a month — and the city says it won't be removing the obstacle anytime soon.
Yanina and Eugene Krubitski say Hurricane Sandy toppled an enormous sycamore outside of their 80th Street home between Fourth and Fifth avenues last month, ripping up the tree's roots and the concrete

slabs surrounding the arbor in the process.
Within a few days the Parks Department came in and carted off the tree in chunks, but the ripped-up stump — which now blocks Krubitskis' driveway — was left behind.
Parks workers promised to return to fix the walkway, but never showed up. After repeated phone calls, officials from the Central Forestry division in Manhattan told her that they wouldn't get around to pulling out the stump — and freeing her sports utility vehicle — until the spring. Yet it remained unclear who would fix the ripped-up concrete slabs: every agency she called told her to contact another.
“I feel like a ping-pong ball,” said Krubitski, who said that in the middle of the post-Sandy fuel crisis she had a full tank of gas, but was unable to use it. “Everyone just bounces me around, and nobody could give me a time frame for when my driveway would get fixed.”
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NOSTRAND'S BUS BATTLE

Parking vs. longer vehicles on boro's longest road

BY COLIN MIXSON

A Sheepshead Bay panel is blasting the city's plans to bring select bus service to Nostrand Avenue between Sheepshead Bay and Williamsburg, claiming that the double buses expected to be used will gobble up precious parking spaces.

The Department of Transportation just received a \$29 million grant so it can move ahead with the select bus plan — as well as create a dedicated bus lane — but Community Board 15 members shot the proposal down, claiming that the articulated buses, which are about twice the size of

a regular bus, will not be able to fit into a typical bus stop and will force the city to remove parking spaces.

"The bus stops must be elongated to handle this long bus," said Teresa Scavo, chairwoman of CB15. "If you ride down Nostrand Avenue, especially near the new supermarket, you don't have room for parking. The question is, how many parking spots will this remove?"

The answer to Scavo's query is not many, according to Department of Transportation spokesman Nicholas Mosquera.

"Combined with the consolidation and relocation of other bus

stops, the project will affect seven parking spaces out of a total of 1,050 spaces on the project route just within CB15," said Mosquera, who added that Sheepshead Bay residents will benefit greatly from the upgraded service.

"Residents will have faster, more reliable, and more frequent bus service that connects them to the subway and to the rest of Brooklyn."

The new service will save straphangers 25 minutes of travel time, Mosquera said.

Part of the grant would be put towards installing dedicated bus lanes on Nostrand Avenue run-



BIG SQUEEZE: Some residents fear that creating bus stops to accommodate beemoths like this will take away too many parking spaces on Nostrand Avenue.

File photo by Joe Maniscalco

ning along the B44 route, which begins in Sheepshead Bay, travels down Nostrand Avenue, then splits at Foster Avenue, with northbound buses traveling down Bedford Avenue and New York Avenue and southbound buses traveling along Nostrand Avenue until the route ends in Williamsburg. The lane will be off limits to cars from 7 am to

7 pm on weekdays, and open to general traffic overnight and all weekend.

Work on the new service is expected to begin before the year is out, and will be in operation sometime in Fall 2013.

The B44 is the city's fourth busiest bus route, ferrying 44,300 passengers on an average weekday, according to city officials.

BROOKLYN BUSINESS STYLE - ADVERTISEMENT

Enjoy fresh-out-of-the-oven treats at Brooklyn Pretzel Factory

By Camille Sperrazza

It's one of life's simple pleasures: biting into a fresh pretzel that's crisp on the outside, and soft and warm inside.

The Brooklyn Pretzel Factory makes scrumptious treats like this and more.

The shop opened in July, bringing to Brooklyn goodies that include oblong-shaped pretzels, Coney Island knishes, pretzel hot dogs, egg creams, Lime Rickey, and Olde Brooklyn soda.

Walk through the door, and it's a trip back in time, with huge murals of how the shop's corner location looked in 1944 taking up a huge part of the wall. You'll see Loft's, the Brooklyn Trust Company, and the Stanley Movie Theater.

The store's color scheme is bright blue, with a blue-and-white checkered floor. A counter displays a clear case, laden with the day's goodies: soft pretzel rods,

cinnamon-and-sugar pretzels, and "everything" pretzels, all made fresh, right on the premises. There are three high-back chairs and a small counter top for those who want to eat in.

The shop is owned by brother and sister Kathy and Terence Casey, and was born from their love of pretzels.

"You could never get a fresh one," says Kathy. "The ones at the ballpark were expensive, reheated, and horrible."

Terence agrees.

"They were so hard, you could break a window with them."

At their shop, it's a whole different type of pretzel. Every one is hand twisted, made of flour, water, and yeast, then baked to perfection.

"It takes about seven minutes to bake a pretzel," says Kathy. The result is soft, fresh, and delicious.

All of the pretzels — with



From left to right: Brooklyn Pretzel Factory on Fifth Avenue in Bay Ridge is a welcome addition on the strip. Owner Kathy Casey shows off the pretzels hot out of the oven. Teresa Semiday of Sunset Park enjoys her delicious pretzel.

Photos by Steve Solomonson

the exception of the cinnamon and sugar, which are made with a bit of butter — are fat free, says Kathy, so they are a guilt-free pleasure. Should you be watching your salt intake, you can purchase pretzels without salt.

For those who want to bring the pretzel experience to a higher level, there

are nine dipping sauces available. Plunge a pretzel rod into mouth-watering dips such as honey Dijon, ranch, blue cheese, spicy ranch, jalapeno cheddar, cheddar, caramel, and chocolate.

If it sounds like the makings of a great party, it is. Party trays are offered. A full tray of 110 pretzel rods,

with a choice of three dips, is a reasonable \$40. For a smaller affair, or to give your family a special treat, there's a half tray package: 55 pretzel rods with a choice of two dips, for \$25.

Come in often, as every day brings new surprises. For example, Kathy says they sometimes make chocolate-chip pretzels

and pizza pockets. The latter may be filled with pepperoni and cheese one day, or Sloppy Joe's on another. It's certainly a unique way to enjoy lunch.

Both Kathy and Terence are third generation Brooklynites, proud to bring to the store the beverages they remember enjoying as kids — fountain drinks, egg creams, and their favorite Brooklyn sodas. Terence, whose background includes carpentry and construction work, designed the store himself, bringing to life the nostalgic feel.

Brooklyn Pretzel Factory welcomes consumers as well as corporate and business accounts.

Brooklyn Pretzel Factory [7504 Fifth Ave. between 75th and 76th streets in Bay Ridge, (718) 439-5100, www.bkpretzels.com]. Open Mondays through Thursdays, 11 am - 7 pm; Fridays and Saturdays, 11 am - 8 pm; and Sundays, 11 am - 5 pm.

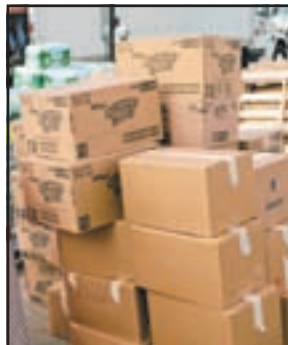
Cheering Greeks bearing gifts

BY COLIN MIXSON

A Midwood parish has done its part to prove that the ancient axiom “beware of Greeks bearing gifts” doesn’t ring true.

The Three Hierarchs Greek Orthodox Church, working with the Greek Orthodox Church of St. Nicholas and the Volunteer Fire Department of Bethlehem, Pa., sent a box truck and three Suburbans stuffed with desperately needed supplies to Gerritsen Beach on Dec. 1, a neighborhood that still lacks even the most basic supplies more than a month after it was ravaged by Hurricane Sandy.

“The whole community is totally whacked,” said Gus Savaros, a Three Hierarchs parishioner who helped organize the relief



A HELPING HAND: A group of Greek Orthodox churches dropped off pallets of supplies for Hurricane Sandy victims in Gerritsen Beach on Saturday.

Photo by Elizabeth Graham

effort. “It’s a great country, it’s been good to me, and I’m trying to be good to it.”

The box truck laden with supplies was collected by the Pennsylvania church

and driven into Brooklyn by three volunteer firefighters — Stathis Kandianis, Pete Dectis, and Jeff White — who not only donated their time, but also dipped into their own wallets in order to rent the supply truck.

“They were really great,” Savaros said of Pennsylvania’s bravest. “It warms your heart to know there’s some good Americans left.”

The Pennsylvania firefighters aren’t the only ones going above and beyond — aside from helping to organize the relief effort, 77-year-old Girl Scout Leader Stella Oberle was heaving supplies out of the truck alongside the young men.

“She’s 77 and she got in their hauling stuff out of the trucks,” said Savaros.



FRIENDS INDEED: Gus Savaros (left) and Stella Oberle of Three Hierarchs Church helped unload supplies in Gerritsen Beach alongside members of St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church and members of the volunteer fire department of Bethlehem, Pa.

Photo by Elizabeth Graham

“I was looking at her laughing. Oh my god.”

But no matter how much fresh water, bleach, toys, and dry foods are brought into the devastated neighborhood, the supplies are always claimed by cold and hungry Brooklynites faster

than it can be brought in, according to Savaros.

“We bought five or six pallets of water, and a firefighter told us that someone else had come in with four pallets earlier, and they were gone within a few hours,” said Savaros. “The

demand for fresh drinking water is so high.”

“The people don’t have water, the ladies are coming in to get toilet paper,” he added.

“This is pathetic stuff, things we take for granted. Your heart has to bleed.”

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Notice of Qualification of Lamonica's Pizza Dough International, LLC. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State on 10/31/12. Office location: Kings County. LLC formed in DE on 5/9/12. NY Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: The LLC, 1066 Gayley Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90024, principal business address. DE address of LLC: National Corporate Research, Ltd., 615 S. DuPont Hwy., Dover, DE 19901. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Sec. of State, P.O. Box 898, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: all lawful purposes.

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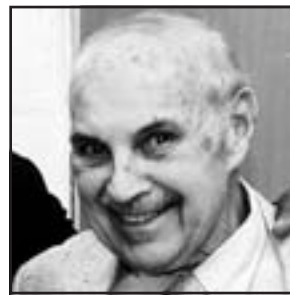
Beloved Flatbush Avenue BID director dies at 87

BY ELI ROSENBERG

Jack Katz, the longtime executive director of the Flatbush Avenue Business Improvement District, died of natural causes last Thursday, friends and family members said. He was 87.

The Flatbush Avenue fixture led the business improvement district for 22 years overseeing an important period of change on Flatbush Avenue, but merchants will always remember the longtime neighborhood advocate, Community Board 14 member, and East Midwood Jewish Center congregant as a man of the community.

"They broke the mold with Jack," said Robin Redmond, the executive director of the Flatbush Development Corporation, who worked with Katz for 13 years. "He believed in community — and he believed in Flatbush."



JACK OF ALL TRADES: There wasn't anything Jack Katz wouldn't do for Flatbush Avenue, merchants say.

Photo by Arthur De Gaeta

Many merchants say the business improvement district, with Katz at the helm, helped steer Flatbush Avenue towards better times.

"His stewardship of the Flatbush Avenue Business Improvement District over the last few decades advanced the economic opportunities and the quality of life in this neighborhood

and Brooklyn as a whole," Councilman Jumaane Williams (D-Flatbush) said in a statement. "Jack was the last of his breed, and he will be missed."

Katz's leadership was spotlighted in the New York Times, which noted the so-called "Flatbush renaissance."

"We have practically no boarded-up businesses," Katz told the Times in 1996. "We've got people shopping the avenue. It's safer. It's cleaner. We've got the whole package."

Katz was an old-school business leader who was at his best working with people on Brooklyn's streets, business improvement district merchants said. He was quicker with a call or a visit than an email or any other form of digital media, they said.

His dedication to his job as executive director was

unparalleled, friends said, explaining that as he spent his last few weeks in a hospital bed, he busied himself organizing the business improvement district's Thanksgiving food drive and Christmas toy drive.

He gave no quarter to illegal street vendors and peddlers, but was quick with compassion for those he cared about.

Redmond recalled how Katz helped her get a new wedding dress when she bought one that was too large for her before the wedding.

"I ran by his office crying, and Jack came back 20 minutes later saying not to worry about it," said Redmond. "He got them to make me a dress that was the right size; that's the kind of guy he was. If he could help you, he would bend over backwards to do so."

Katz his survived by his wife and three children.

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Obama approves Floyd pipeline

BY COLIN MIXSON

It's full steam ahead for plans to run a controversial natural gas pipeline through Floyd Bennett Field — a move members of the Floyd Bennett Gardener's Association say will kill their crops.

President Obama has signed the bill that will allow Transco Williams Companies to build a pipeline that will stretch from the Atlantic Ocean through the Rockaways and Floyd Bennett Field to a relay facilities on Flatbush Avenue. Gateway National Recreation Area, which Floyd Bennett Field is a part of, will get a yearly stipend for having the pipeline and metering station on its land.

But green-thumbed residents were outraged by the decision, claiming that both the pipeline and the metering station will rest a mere 100 yards from their garden plots — an emissions-

belching facility Transco Williams won't make more environmentally friendly, they claim.

"[Transco] claims that the pollutants they're putting out are within Environmental Protection Agency standards," said gardener Adriann Musson. "I suggested they put in filters to reduce emissions, which would be a good gesture among neighbors. They said it wouldn't be cost effective."

Rep. Michael Grimm (R-Bay Ridge), who sponsored the bill, hailed the passage of the New York City Natural Gas Supply Enhancement Act as a boon to residents struggling to find a job in the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy.

"New York City is in desperate need of revenue and jobs, which is why I am thrilled that my legislation was signed into law today,"



NERVOUS GARDENERS: Green-thumbed locals Ed and Christine Bressel are worried that the proposed pipeline extension, scheduled to weave its way through Marine Park in late 2013, could put their precious garlic and tomato harvests in jeopardy.

Photo by Steve Solomonson

said Grimm, who added that the pipeline project will generate an estimated \$265 million in construction costs, create 300 jobs, and haul in an estimated \$8 million in annual property taxes.

Yet Floyd Bennett Field gardeners disagreed with Grimm, claiming that a natural gas pipeline shouldn't

be built in an area that could be destroyed in a severe storm like Hurricane Sandy.

"The Rockaways were destroyed by Sandy and you want to put a new gas line in there?" Musson asked. "They don't even know if they're going to rebuild there. I think they need to just put this on hold for awhile."

Cops: Help us find missing woman

A 46-year-old woman left her Mill Basin home on Nov. 28 and never returned, according to police who are trying to track down the missing resident's whereabouts.

Family members told police that Michele Gonzalez-Wheeler left her E. 52nd Street home near Avenue N at 9 am last Wednesday. When she left her house, she was wearing a white, puffy jacket, blue jeans, a red sweater, and totting a duffel bag.

Gonzalez-Wheeler is described as five-foot tall and 150 pounds.

Anyone with information regarding her whereabouts is urged to contact

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MISSING: Michele Gonzalez-Wheeler hasn't been seen since Nov. 28, officials say.

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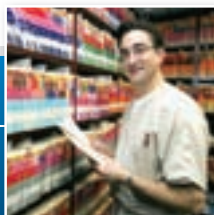
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OWE, YEAH!

Atlantic Yards developer ends battle with the taxman

BY NATALIE MUSUMECI

The owner of the Barclays Center withdrew a lawsuit seeking to lessen a property assessment of the new arena and reduce the amount of money it owes the city — just three days after the press reported on the court filings.

Developer Forest City Ratner initially sought to cut the city's tax appraisal on the new home of the Brooklyn Nets by claiming Department of Finance assessors monstrously overvalued the arena at \$741 million, when it was really worth just \$111 million.

The Brooklyn Supreme Court filing, which was first reported by DNAinfo.com, would have vastly reduced the amount of money Forest City Ratner would owe the city annually, cutting it from an estimated \$35 million to about \$5 million, a source told the New York Daily News.

But the Atlantic Yards mega-developer now claims it never intended to include the arena and an adjacent Dean Street property

slated to be the site of a 32-story building — and worth just \$6,000, according to the withdrawn legal documents — in the suit.

"Forest City has instructed our attorneys to discontinue these petitions immediately," the building company's subsidiary Brooklyn Events Center wrote in a letter to the Law Department.

Forest City Ratner does not pay property taxes on the 18,000-seat taxpayer-subsidized entertainment mecca, but as a substitute makes "payments in lieu of taxes," dubbed "PILOTs," to the city.

That money goes towards paying off \$511 million in tax-exempt bonds Forest City Ratner received to help fund the Atlantic Yards development.

Forest City Ratner spokesman Joe DePlasco said the lawsuit "should not have been applied to the arena because of the PILOT."

The development company is still contesting the city's tax assessment of 30 other Brooklyn proper-

ties in what DePlasco described as a common real estate practice.

"These petitions are a customary, legal process designed to protect a property owner's right to challenge the assessed values," he said.

But longtime Atlantic Yards foe Daniel Goldstein, who founded the opposition group Develop Don't Destroy Brooklyn and accepted a buy-out after holding onto his former apartment in the development site for years, says the suit is a reminder that this project is all about money.



TAX ALL, FOLKS: The owner of the Barclays Center withdrew a lawsuit pegged against the city about the arena's "overvalued" tax assessment days after the suit was made public.
Photo by Stefano Giovannini

"It shows that not only is Forest City Ratner not to be trusted but that the firm doesn't mind ripping off the taxpayer, and the city

treasury, from whatever angle possible as long as they can get away with it and improve their bottom line," said Goldstein.

Stump

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She finally learned that the city's Department of Design and Construction were responsible for fixing sidewalks, but officials tried to laugh off her plight.

"He tried to make it funny. I

told him, 'It may be funny to you, but it's not in the middle of your driveway, and you can't get out,'" Krubitski said.

Without a car, Krubitski and her family have been using trains and buses — which are sparse in car-heavy Bay Ridge — to get to work and to bring her daughter, a nationally competing gymnast,

to practice at Aviator Sports and Events Center in Mill Basin.

The family borrowed a vehicle from a friend, but — without access to their driveway — must navigate Bay Ridge's parking-starved streets, and will have to return the car soon.

"I'm frustrated and exhausted," Krubitski said.

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DINNER AND A MOVIE: John Martin, president and partner at the Alamo Drafthouse Cinemas, has opened several combination movie houses and restaurants in Texas – and now his food-and-flick business model is coming to Brooklyn.
Associated Press / Harry Cabluck

REMEMBER THE ALAMO!

Texas th-eatery to open on Fulton Mall

BY DANIELLE FURFARO

Brooklynites won't have to travel far to mess with Texas when the Alamo Drafthouse — Austin's legendary dinner-and-a-movie joint — opens an outpost on the Fulton Mall.

The restaurant and cinema will be a part of the long-planned City Point mega-development, which includes retail, offices, housing, and what could be the borough's tallest building. The seven-screen theater will start showing movies in 2015, the same year a Century 21 department store is slated to open its doors in the complex.

The Texan cinema titans say they can't wait to bring their th-eatery to the borough.

"I am extremely excited about the major development in Downtown Brooklyn and proud to be a part of it," said Alamo Drafthouse founder and CEO Tim League. "Although more than two years on the horizon, I can tell you that the City Point Brooklyn Alamo will be our best theater yet."

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During the past 15 years, the Alamo has grown to screen indies and blockbusters alike in six locations in Austin, as well as theaters throughout the country, in cities including San Francisco, Denver, and Kansas City, Mo.

The cinema chain — which is planning outposts in Manhattan's Upper West Side and in Yonkers — has also gained notoriety for its refusal to play trailers or other commercials and its zero-tolerance policy toward talking and texting.

It won't be the first place in Brooklyn that combines the silver platter and the silver screen.

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Sewer

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Island taking so long?"

Recchia (D-Coney Island) asked the more than 20 community members attending the meeting to be patient, claiming that the city wants to complete the project as soon as possible.

But Recchia's pleas fell on deaf ears — ears deafened by audience members shouting at the council's Finance Committee chairman.

"We don't need another Sandy!" screamed Brighton Beach activist Ida Sanoff. "We get another nor'easter, we're going to be underwater!"

The meeting go so out

of hand that cops in attendance shouted everyone down as CB13 chairman Eddie Mark incessantly banged his gavel to restore order.

"We are putting money into the community," Recchia said once the shouting had stopped, adding that contractors will soon be able to place bids on the sewer project.



OH, BOY: Councilman Domenic Recchia must have felt like he was hit by a mac truck after the tongue-lashing he received over the neighborhood's long delayed sewer project. File photo

Nathan's

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cess of rebuilding and anticipates reopening this spring, before the summer season," vowed a spokesman for the nationwide company, which began with a small hot dog stand at the corner of Surf and Stillwell avenues.

Nathan's grilled dogs — and much of its equipment — ended up under water when the Oct. 29 hurricane hit the Boardwalk. The company wouldn't comment on the extent of the damage, but did say its losses were comparable to other Surf Avenue mainstays, which had fluid from the sewers bubble up into their businesses and destroy their interiors.

"Hurricane Sandy caused significant damage to the Nathan's facility as it did to many other residences and businesses in Coney Island," the spokesman said.

But those who like to celebrate the anniversary of their nation's birth with the Nathan's Famous International Hot



YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO WAIT FOR IT: Nathan's Famous says its iconic Coney Island restaurant won't open until the spring - and you have Hurricane Sandy to blame. Photo by Stefano Giovannini

Dog Eating Championship needn't panic: the restaurant reported that its beloved battle of glutinous gladiators is still on the menu for next summer — which contest organizer and promoter George Shea said was a hopeful sign that the beloved restaurant — and the storm-lammed amusement

area — will reopen soon. "The truth of the matter is that the hurricane was devastating to everyone, and there are many other Nathan's locations where you can get the same food, but the one in Coney Island is the one people come to every summer, and right now they are rebuilding," said Shea.

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Off view! Vista at risk, Sloper says

BY NATALIE MUSUMECI

A picturesque view of the Empire State Building framed by Grand Army Plaza's iconic arch is in danger of being blocked forever.

The 102-story skyscraper perfectly bisects the Soldiers' and Sailors' Arch when viewed from a not-so-well-known vantage point just inside Prospect Park — but long-time Park Sloper Richard Kessler fears a proposed tower in the Atlantic Yards megadevelopment will obstruct his favorite vista before the borough can truly appreciate its grandeur.

"It's a very beautiful sight that shouldn't be lost," said Kessler, 66, who started an online petition last month urging locals to "save the view."

The development com-

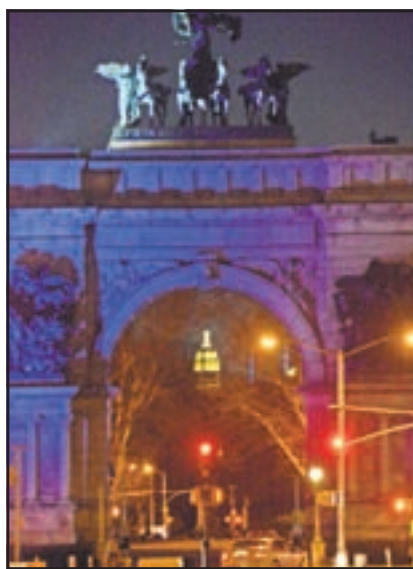
pany Forest City Ratner plans to erect a 219-foot tall residential high-rise only half a mile from Grand Army Plaza on Atlantic Avenue near Sixth Avenue. When that building is finished, Kessler worries that tree branches and a light pole won't be the only things in the foreground when he and other onlookers lean against a lamppost at the start of Prospect Park's East Drive — the only spot where the vista reveals itself.

"It would perfectly block the Empire State Building," said Kessler, who has taken to calling the vantage point "Brooklyn Mirador." "If I put my back against that lamppost and I see an apartment building instead of the Empire State Building, I got no interest."

The Soldiers' and Sailors' Arch was completed in 1892 — 40 years before the Empire State Building climbed into the clouds — but this preservationist believes the fortuitous placement is no coincidence.

Though he has no documentation to back up his case, Kessler claims the arch — and an 1869 statue of Abraham Lincoln that once stood in front of it — points right at the former Astor mansion five miles away on Fifth Avenue in an attempt by architects to challenge the wealthy family because they opposed the Great Emancipator's efforts to end slavery.

The Astor family's home is now the site of the Empire State Building, and a number of later monuments — including the Grand



PERFECT SITE: (Above) History buff Richard Kessler points to a vista he calls "Brooklyn Mirador" — but fears a new development will forever obstruct the picturesque view of the Empire State Building framed within Grand Army Plaza's Soldiers' and Sailors' Arch (left).

Army Plaza's 1932 Bailey Fountain and the park's 1965 John F. Kennedy memorial — also line up with the viewing corridor, only bolstering its significance,

according to Kessler.

"These things are in a straight line and nature doesn't make straight lines like this. This is something that was done on purpose,"

said Kessler, who suspects that Grand Army Plaza designers Frederick Olmsted and Calvert Vaux knew about the axis when the arch rose in the late 1800s.

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Exchanging gifts has become synonymous with the holiday season. Family members exchange gifts with one another, employees trade gifts and greeting cards with their coworkers, and students participate in grab bag gift exchanges in the classroom.

Giving gifts is such a big part of the holiday season that shoppers may run out of gift ideas before they have crossed everyone off their lists. For example, it might not be easy to find the perfect gift for the senior citizen on your holiday shopping list. Seniors might not be up-to-date on the latest gadgets or might have downgraded from a home to a more manageable living arrangement, so knick-knacks or decorative items for the home may not be too practical, either. The following are a few tips for gifting seniors this holiday season.

Warm things up

As people age, many develop medical conditions that require medication. Medications like blood thinners can make seniors feel the cold more than others, so a gift that can keep seniors warm through the winter can make a great gift. A thick wool sweater or a fleece blanket is both practical and thoughtful.

Open a senior's eyes to e-readers

Many seniors find that maintaining a household is simply too much work once all the kids have grown up and moved out. As a result, many move from private homes into apartment complexes geared to the senior set or even into assisted living facilities that make it easier to deal with the daily demands of life. When seniors make such a move, they sacrifice space for convenience. Personal libraries may no longer be possible or practical, but an e-reader allows seniors to store

their favorite books in one small and convenient place.

Give the lap of luxury

Many seniors are on fixed incomes, which greatly limit how much disposable income they have to treat themselves to something nice. But seniors still love a trip to the spa or a round of golf just as much as their younger counterparts. Savvy shoppers know that deals can be had on such luxuries, and it just takes a little patience and research.

Go healthy

Many men and women embrace a healthier lifestyle as they age. Seniors who might have been too busy raising a family to focus on their own health are typically encouraged by their physicians to exercise and embrace healthier eating habits. Gift-givers can help seniors on their quests to become healthier by buying them a membership to a local fitness club, many of which provide classes designed specifically for seniors. Fitness clubs typically offer discounted memberships to seniors, who might even be eligible for rebates from their health insurance providers if they meet established attendance requirements. Seniors who suffer from arthritis might benefit from a membership at a nearby yoga center.

Give the gift of communication

Sometimes the best gift is the simplest gift. Seniors love to speak with their children and grandchildren, so why not give the gift of communication? If you haven't already, alter your

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“When I had my stroke, I was afraid life would never be the same.”

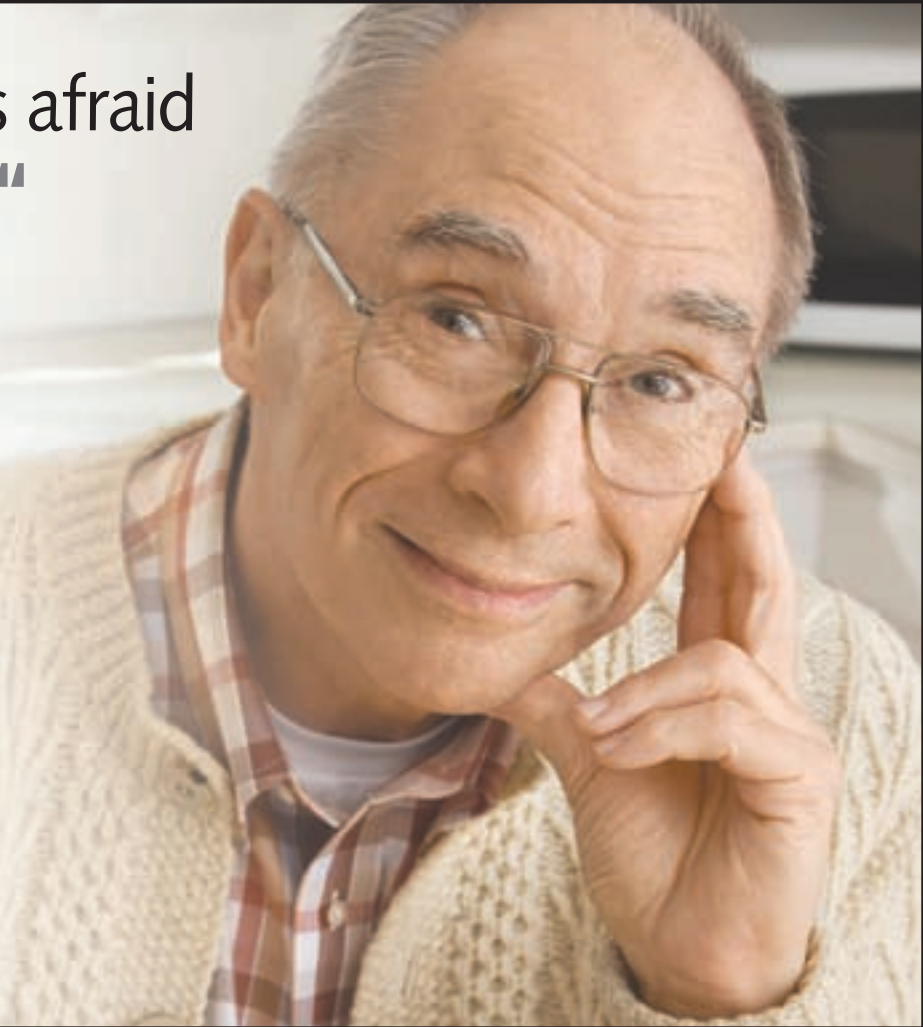
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Criminals who run fraudulent charity scams target specific groups of people, most notably the elderly.

Tips for vetting charities

Donating to a charity or nonprofit organization is a selfless act that pays dividends for the less fortunate. Whether you plan to be a financial donor or donate your time as a volunteer, your efforts help charities stay afloat and achieve the goals set forth in their mission statements.

Many people struggle when it comes to choosing a charity with which to associate, especially seniors. With so many worthy charities, the vetting process can be difficult, as charities that warrant your time and money are just as easily found as nefarious organizations designed to mislead donors.

Elderly people must be wary of potential con artists, who can be persistent in their pursuits. When vetting a charity, consider the following tips.

Donate to charities you know

Many people hope to contribute to a charity with which they have a personal connection. You might have volunteered with this organization in the past or you or a loved one may have even benefitted from its services or programs.

Such a personal connection can help you feel more secure about your

donations or efforts and may even help you feel as if you're giving back to an organization that helped you in the past.

Do your homework

If you aren't very familiar with a charity but its mission statement strikes a chord, then learn as much about the charity as possible before making your decision to donate or volunteer.

Don't allow an especially persuasive telemarketer to make your decision for you. Instead, listen to what a solicitor has to say and then let him know you want to do more research before making a final decision.

Visit the organization's website, or ask someone to do it for you, check out its rating from the Better Business Bureau or a charity evaluator like Charity Navigator, and talk to friends and family to see if they have any experience with the charity before making your decision.

Be wary of callers who pressure you

An established charity won't need to put pressure on you to donate. While charities and nonprofit organizations rely heavily on donors and volunteers to remain operational, their lights won't be turned off

if you don't immediately make a donation. If solicitors try to pressure you into making a donation over the phone, politely end the conversation without sharing any personal information.

And while the holiday season presents a charity's best time of year to raise funds, an organization will be just as happy to receive your donation after the holiday season when you have had ample time to gather information and make a more informed decision. Organizations that try to pressure people into making donations are most likely disreputable.

Know that you might be a target

Criminals who run fraudulent charity scams target specific groups of people, most notably the elderly. They often call frequently to establish a rapport in the hopes of tricking elderly citizens into making donations and sharing sensitive financial information.

Seniors should be especially vigilant when vetting a charity, avoid sharing financial information over the telephone, and then discuss their donations with their children or loved ones who can help them determine whether an organization is legitimate or not.

Prevent slips and falls this winter

Winter is right around the corner. That means that most people will be trading in windbreakers and rakes for heavy coats and snow shovels. Winter can be a beautiful time of the year, but the snow and ice that covers the landscape in a pristine sheet of white can present certain hazards as well.

Walking on ice can be extremely dangerous, particularly to those people who already may have mobility issues, such as the elderly. According to the National Safety Council, slips and falls are the single largest cause of emergency room visits. Slip and fall injuries also are the third largest cause of workplace injuries, says the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Many accidental falls occur from lack of stability or poor physical health. However, come winter, many falls can be attributed to walking on slippery surfaces covered with snow or ice. To avoid falls on ice, you might want to take certain precautions.

Change the way you walk

Adapting to the slippery conditions could help prevent some of the falls caused by snow and ice. When walking on ice, plant feet with toes facing outward slightly, and then shuffle along. Hunching over a little and extending arms outward will help to lower your center of gravity and also offer a little more stability. Take short, flat steps so that the heels and toes of your shoes stay in contact with the ground as much as possible and



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offer maximum surface contact.

Switch shoes

Flat shoes with rubber soles are more capable of gripping the ice than other types of shoes. Contrary to popular belief, clunky winter boots may make walking more difficult. Try rain boots instead, as rain boots typically have flatter soles. There also are many different types of shoe ice grips on the market that can be added to the soles of shoes. They easily slip on to offer more traction. Whenever possible, try to avoid shoes with already slippery soles or high heels. Carry these shoes with you and change after you are inside.

Remove shoes indoors

Slips and falls can happen inside a home as well. Many people have tile or laminate entryways in their homes, and these entrances can become quite slippery when snow-packed shoes warm up and the snow melts, creating a wet, slick surface. Avoid falls by placing mats by the front door and removing shoes when you enter. Stash a pair of slippers nearby into which you can change.

Falls on slippery surfaces can be quite dangerous, especially for seniors. Avoid trips to the emergency room for broken bones or abrasions by slowing down, dressing appropriately, and walking on paths that have been cleared of snow and ice.



Senior gifts

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cellphone plan to a family plan that gives seniors unlimited minutes when calling family members so they can speak to their grandkids as often as possible. You can even go the extra mile and upgrade a senior's computer so he has access to instant messaging and video conferencing services such as Skype, allowing seniors to see just how fast their grandchildren are growing even if those youngsters are on the other side of the country.

ELDERLY COPING WITH SANDY'S IMPACT

Healthcare officials, social workers, and other volunteers are paying close attention to the elderly in the days since Sandy left millions in the dark throughout metropolitan New York and New Jersey. While some say life experiences have tempered the ability of the region's oldest residents to cope with the immensity of the destruction, others note signs that the stress of no electricity, displacement, and upheaval from daily routines is taking a toll.

"When the sun is out, I gravitate to where it is coming in through a window and I sit there," 78-year-old Eileen James said as temperatures in Farmingdale hovered in the high 40s. "I took my thermometer with me and it went up six degrees, and I felt a little warmer."

The situation is the same for thousands throughout the region.

At Comstock Court, a subsidized apartment building for senior citizens in Asbury Park, N.J., residents were given fliers informing them about free hot meals being served 10 blocks away.



Eileen Miley looks for magnets that might be salvageable at her home on Staten Island that was destroyed by flooding during Hurricane Sandy. AP / Seth Wenig

Several said they were unable to make the trek even though their food has spoiled.

"I'm not walking over there. That's too far for me. My knees can't take it," said Pam Grove, 75.

Tenants had running water and were using their gas stoves to stay warm.

"It's dangerous, but if you don't turn your stove on, you've got pneumonia," said 72-year-old Ru-

dolph Graham.

Karen Boorshtein, president and CEO of Long Island's Family Service League, said the group has been monitoring nursing homes and reaching out through social workers to check on the elderly in their homes.

"We're making sure patients' needs are being met; if they need to be evacuated, that they are evacuated," Boorshtein said. The workers also stay in contact with patients' relatives.

Suffolk County's Office of Aging reached out to 725 seniors before the storm to warn them to prepare, said county spokeswoman Vanessa Baird-Streeter. When Sandy passed, the office sent teams to the homes of residents who couldn't be reached by telephone and by Nov. 2, all had been accounted for, she said.

Dr. Gisele Wolf-Klein, director of Geriatric Education at North Shore-Long Island Jewish Health System, said older dementia patients were among those facing the greatest challenges.

"Some of those who care for the

elderly were unable to get to their homes because of their own transportation issues," Wolf-Klein said. That meant some older patients were "left alone without any help and that becomes a major, major problem."

Island Harvest, a Long Island-based food bank, dispatched 11 trucks to various locations, giving out sandwiches and drinks. President and CEO Randi Shubin Dresner said she has seen many seniors at the trucks.

She encountered a woman whom she described as a "younger senior, in her late 50s."

"She just had this forlorn look," Dresner said. "She didn't even know what to ask for. And when I said, 'What can I give you, what can we help you with?' she just was shaking her head and holding back tears. Then she asked, 'How about a hug?'"

"She grabbed me and she gave me this hug and she didn't want to let go. And when she let go she said, 'That's what I needed more than anything.'"

— AP / Frank Eltmann

Home health aide gone during crisis

By Joanna R. Leefer
My 95-year-old mother-in-law, Lillian, was one of the fortunate New York City seniors during Hurricane Sandy.

Lillian is in the mid stages of Alzheimer's disease. She is legally blind and practically deaf. With help, she is able to live on the Upper West Side subsidized by the Senior Citizen Rent Increase Exemption program. She also qualifies for Community Medicaid and has a home health aide who stays with her every day for 10 hours.

When Sandy hit, and Mayor Bloomberg announced that the subway would shut down, we immediately called Lillian's home care agency. Lillian's caregiver is scheduled to be with her from 10 am through 8 pm every day. We wanted to know how the agency was handling this crisis.

The agency told us the

home health aide would leave early that day so she could get home before the subways shut down. We were now responsible for Lillian until public transportation was returned. My next question was, "What if we lived in California and had no backup services for her?" We were told that my mother-in-law would stay at a hospital until after the crisis.

Fortunately, we were able to hire someone to stay with Lillian through the next two days, and she was able to remain in her home. Lillian did just fine during the hurricane.

Like most families caring for aging parents, we had not thought about what would in case of a disaster.

According to Carla Holub — co-owner and vice president of Select Care, a private home care agency based in Manhattan — the New York State Department of Health requires that all

certified home health agencies, long-term home health care programs, licensed home health agencies, and hospices be responsible for insuring the safety of their clients in case of an emergency. However, it does not state how each agency must carry out this requirement.

The safety plan for every patient is determined even before a patient is assigned to an agency. The nurse who is assigned to assess each case must evaluate the safety network for each patient, and assigns each patient a priority code. The code level indicates the degree of care a client must receive in case of an emergency.

A level-one patient requires 24-hour care and an agency must insure that an aide is available for any crisis, along with any relevant supplies. A level-two patient's services may be postponed until the end of the crisis. My mother-in-law is

categorized as a level three, or a "low priority" patient. That means she can "safely miss a scheduled visit, with basic care provided safely by family or other informal support or by the patient personally."

If your loved one is dependent on daily home care, I advise you to determine what your circumstances are before hiring the agency. Ask each agency you interview to explain its patient coverage policy during a crisis and request a copy of the policy. If your loved one is already receiving service, you should ask what his classification is before another Hurricane Sandy occurs.

Joanna Leefer is an eldercare advisor with 10 years experience. For more information on her services, log onto www.joannaleefer.com. Her book, "Eldercare Basics," will be available in the spring of 2013.

How you can help

How you can assist in your loved one's emergency preparations.

- Update your contact numbers with the agency on a regular basis. Inform the agency staff if you are going on vacation or out of the area for long periods and who is designated as the contact person. Alternate ways to contact, such as e-mail.
- Exchange contact numbers with your loved one's neighbors, doorman, superintendent.
- Traditional telephone landlines work when power is out. Have a simple phone ready to plug in a wall socket. Cordless phones run on electricity.
- Make copies of insurance cards, identification, wills, health care proxy, power of attorney, and bank information, and keep them with a family member in the event the originals are lost or misplaced. Visit your Office of Emergency Management website for the complete list of documents.
- Have alternate places to stay at if the patient is evacuated and alternate transportation plans if you do not want your parent to stay in a public shelter (a local car service or taxi number).
- Assist the agency in obtaining and monitoring emergency supplies such as extra food, water, batteries, flashlights, and medications in the event the patient and caregiver have to stay in the client's home. Visit www.nyc.gov/oem for a complete list of emergency preparedness items.

New York Methodist Hospital's Parkinson's Disease Program: a Team Approach

By New York Methodist Hospital

Parkinson's disease (PD) is one of the most common neurological disorders—each year, over 50,000 Americans are diagnosed with the condition. Over 90 percent of PD cases occur in those aged 50 and over, making the disease a major threat to the quality “golden years” a senior deserves.

PD is a disorder of the central nervous system involving the degeneration and loss of nerve cells in a key area of the brain. The most characteristic feature of Parkinson's is a slow and rhythmic tremor when the body is at rest. Parkinson's usually progresses slowly, but the rate of progression varies from one individual to another.

New York Methodist Hospital's (NYM's) Parkinson's Disease Program offers the only comprehensive diagnostic and treatment program in Brooklyn for Parkinson's and other movement disorders. The Program utilizes a team approach, engaging the skills of neurologists, neurosurgeons, speech pathologists, mental health professionals,



Martin Zonenshayn, M.D., chief of neurosurgery at NYM.

nurses and rehabilitation therapists. “With each patient, we create a unique treatment regimen that addresses symptoms,” says Miran Salgado, M.D., chairman of neurosciences and director of the Parkinson's Disease Program at NYM. “We fine-tune medicine regimens and use rehabilitation therapies including physical therapy, dietary modification and exercise to help fight the progression of PD.”

The most effective medicine used to treat PD is levodopa, which converts to dopamine in the brain. Increased dopamine helps reduce many PD symptoms. Levodopa is often taken in conjunction with other medications that increase its efficacy while limiting side effects. In many cases, however, medications will have a stronger impact at the beginning of the treatment.

“Sometimes, PD medications have limited effects on the symptoms of the disease, and in fact, the medications may result in significant side-effects,” says Martin Zonenshayn, M.D., chief of neurosurgery at NYM.

“When this happens, surgeons can perform an advanced, minimally invasive procedure in which a pair of electrodes is inserted through a small opening in the skull. The electrodes are placed within key areas of the brain affected by PD, and then connected by implanted wires to a device called an implanted pulse generator (IPD). Once activated, an IPD sends continuous electrical pulses to the target areas in the brain, blocking the impulses that cause tremors and other PD symptoms. This form of treatment is called Deep Brain Stimulation (DBS), and the activation is controlled entirely by the patient and physician using a hand-held remote control device. The true advantage of this surgery is that the stimulation is adjustable and reversible for years after the original surgery, thereby allowing the physician to make the necessary adjustments as the disease evolves.”

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Runners trot for a good cause

BY THOMAS TRACY

More than 270 runners worked off their Thanksgiving dinners on the Coney Island Boardwalk last week by participating in the Coney Island Sports Foundation's Turkey Trot, an annual holiday race where winners receive — you guessed it — more food!

The 5-kilometer course from W. 19th Street to Brighton Beach and back raised \$4,000 for Hurricane Sandy relief efforts, said Coney Island Sports Foundation director Edwin Cosme. The money will be doled out between three Coney Island service organizations, as well as relief groups in the Rockaways and Staten Island.

But the rewards Turkey Trot winners received were far more edible — each gladly accepted a two-pound pastry platter from a local bakery.

Park Slope journalist and three-time New York City Marathon runner David Alm came in first place during the Nov. 25 run. Sec-



KING TROTTERS: Amateur magician Liam Malanaphy, Carroll Gardens resident Graham Dower, and Park Slope journalist David Alm were the three top winners in last week's annual Coney Island Sports Foundation Turkey Trot race. Photo by Cynthia Magnus

ond place honors went to Carroll Gardens resident Graham Dower and Ocean Parkway resident Liam

Malanaphy — an amateur magician who ran with his wife and two sons — came in third.

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Rebuilding for the future: high-design, energy-efficient homes go up in months, stay up for generations

WALTHAM, MA—Homeowners whose houses were destroyed by Hurricane Sandy now have a high-tech way to rebuild in record time, thanks to an innovative homebuilder, Blu Homes. The Massachusetts- and California-based company uses proprietary steel framing and construction technology to build architect-designed, precision-built, environmentally-friendly homes.



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Homes can be built in six to nine months, from initial design to final move-in date.

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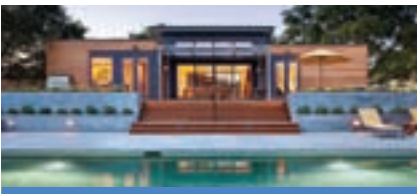
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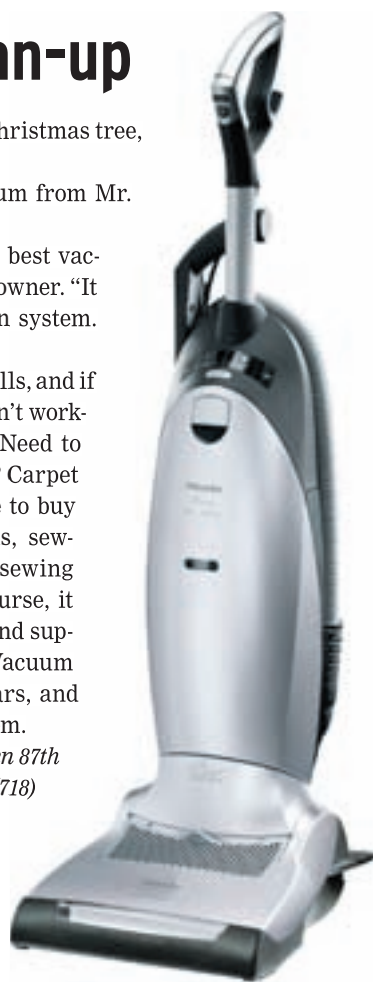
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We say "Cheers!" In Greece, they say, "Yiasou!" as in the Sheepshead Bay restaurant that bears the name, Yiasou.

This family-owned facility specializes in Greek seafood, preparing dishes such as grilled octopus and royal dorado, a delicate white fish from the Mediterranean. There's a fine selection of charcoal-grilled whole fish, drizzled with olive oil and lemon.

While fish is the focus, there are plenty of steaks, chops, and Greek cuisine. Popular is the arnaki yiouvetsi — lamb with orzo. For something different, try the kotopoulo schara, a marinated Cornish hen. Feast on melitzanosalata, a roasted eggplant spread. Or, order a mixed spread platter for a variety that includes



hummus, yogurt-cucumber dip, caviar, and a potato-garlic spread.

Owner Peter Katsichtis was born in Greece, and brings family recipes to the table. Special holiday selections will be offered on Christmas Day, New Year's Eve, and on New Year's Day. Yiasou has a full bar, and a large selec-

tion of wines from California, France, and of course, Greece. It's the word.

Yiasou Restaurant [2003 Emmons Ave. off Ocean Avenue in Sheepshead Bay, Brooklyn, (718) 332-6064, www.Yiasouonthebay.com]. Open Sundays through Thursdays, noon-11 pm; Fridays and Saturdays, noon-midnight.

There's a party going on right now

It's a party atmosphere at Tasty Tavern gourmet Chinese restaurant all year round.

On weekends, enjoy live music, as entertainers perform the songs of yesteryear, carrying out special requests, and singing "Happy Birthday" to celebrating guests. The atmosphere is lively, upbeat, and revitalizing, a perfect way to start the weekend. There's even room to dance.

Sundays through Thursdays, it's Happy Hour all day long. Drinks are half price, and you can socialize at the bar. Stay for dinner because gourmet dishes like grand marnier shrimp, strawberry steak, and lobster sung tempt.

Celebrate New Year's Eve here. A four-course menu of soup, appetizer, entree, and dessert, including tip and tax, is \$98 per person. That includes a four-hour open bar, from 9 pm to 1 am, and a midnight champagne toast. They'll be no long drives, and no tolls to pay. Tasty Tavern has its own park-



Photo by Steve Solomonson

ing lot, right on the premises. Home for the holidays never sounded so good.

Tasty Tavern [4523 Avenue N at E. 46 Street in Mill Basin, Brooklyn (718) 692-1020, (718) 692-1033, www.TastyTavern.com]. Open Mondays through Thursdays, noon-10 pm; Fridays, noon-11 pm; Saturdays 12:30-11 pm; and Sundays, 12:30-9:30 pm.



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It's deli-icious

Forget over the hills and through the woods. There's nothing like spending the holidays close to home, at a good, old-fashioned Brooklyn deli — The Mill Basin Deli, celebrating 40 years in business.

Here, the pastrami is lean and piled high; the knishes are homemade; and the gravy for the roast beef is so fresh, it may even have a lump or two. Warm rugalah, black-and-white cookies, and noodle pudding sweeten the festivities. The entire family can gather to enjoy it all in The Peach Pit, a beautiful room so named be-

cause of its warm colors. Dining here is a beautiful experience in every way because the deli is an art gallery that showcases the works of professional artists.

If some family members have strayed far from home, give them a taste of what they're missing. The Mill Basin Deli ships nationwide, making it possible to experience being "home for the holidays," no matter where they are.

Mill Basin Deli [5823 Avenue T between E. 58th and E. 59th streets in Mill Basin, Brooklyn, (718) 241-4910, www.MillBasinDeli.com]. Open Mondays through Thursdays, 9 am-9 pm; Fridays and Saturdays, 9 am-10 pm; and on Sundays, 9 am-9:30 pm.

Fa-la-la Familia

“There was a time, not so long ago, when restaurants cooked for people like they were family,” says Antonio Vesuvio of Vesuvio Italian Restaurant. He should know, because his family has been doing so since 1953.

That’s when a great aunt of his started the business. His father, Nino, took over in 1979, and Antonio has been in charge since 2001. The emphasis has always been on Neapolitan home-style cooking, served in a family-friendly atmosphere.

Bring your family to meet their family, and celebrate Christmas Eve with a prix fix dinner for \$39.95 per person. Choose from appetizers such as calamari fritti, mozzarella di casa, caprino



salad, crab cakes, seafood salad, or fried shrimp. Select an entrees from a list that features orecchiette with broccoli rabe and sausage, spaghetti with white clam sauce, linguine Rio Mare, salmon filet, shrimp oreganata, chicken Vesuvio, or veal marsala. For dessert, it’s panna cotta, tasty tiramisu, or creamy cannoli. An a la carte menu is also

offered.

Join the fun New Year’s Eve when there’s prix fix and a la carte options. Catering is available for your home or office.

Vesuvio Restaurant
[7305 Third Ave. between 73rd and 74th streets in Bay Ridge, Brooklyn, (718) 745-0222, www.VesuvioBayRidge.com]. Open daily, 11 am-midnight.

Roll out the barrels

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Roger’s Beer and Soda Distributor makes it easy to shop for all your holiday needs. The store has a large selection of imported and domestic beer, as well as craft beer. Bring a bit of Caribbean sunshine to the festivities with some Red Stripe from Jamaica. Or, have a Feliz Navidad with some Vitarroz Malta. You’ll also find Heineken, Budweiser, Guinness Stout, Corona, Becks, Red Bull, and more. Many soda brands and bottled water are also in stock.

The store is a redemption center, so when the party’s over, bring all the empty cans and bottles back for a refund of your

deposit. Roger’s Beer and Soda Distributor is a family-owned and -operated business that has served the community for 45 years. During that time, they’ve hired many locals, sponsored sports teams, participated in block parties and other neighborhood functions.

Roger’s Beer and Soda Distributor [4517 Glenwood Rd. between E. 45th and E. 46th streets in East Flatbush, Brooklyn, (718) 287-0797]. Open Mondays through Thursdays, 10 am-7:30 pm; Fridays and Saturdays, 10 am-8 pm; and Sundays, noon-6 pm.



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Salivate at Salvi Restaurant

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Holidays wouldn't be the same without an abundance of appetizers. Here, there's burrata, a creamy mozzarella that's so soft, the texture is butter-like. From the region of Puglia, this incredibly delicious fresh mozzarella is made of cheese and cream. Other starters such as clams oreganata, fried calamari, and shrimp cocktail can get you on your way to a



Photo by Steve Solomonson

traditional seven-course Italian fish feast.

Salvi is the perfect place to hold your corporate or holiday function. The ambiance is refined and unrushed. Food can be savored, as great care has gone into its selection, preparation, and presentation. Gift certificates make welcome presents.

Salvi Italian Restaurant [4220 Quentin Rd. between Flatbush and Hendrickson streets in Marine Park, Brooklyn, (718) 252-3030, www.SalviRestaurant.com.] Open Sundays, Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, noon-11 pm, and on Saturdays and Sundays, noon-midnight.



Little oven

Il Fornetto Italian restaurant, with its majestic waterfront views of Sheepshead Bay, keeps fond memories of summer glowing all winter long.

Recently renovated after Hurricane Sandy took a bite out of it, the restaurant has re-opened in time to make the holidays even more memorable. On Christmas Eve, bring the family to enjoy a three-course meal for \$36.95. Or, ring in the New Year with dancing, an open bar, and a four-course dinner of appetizers, pasta, entree, dessert, and a champagne toast at midnight, for \$100 per person, plus tax and gratuity. The fun starts at

9:30 pm, and last until 1:30 am. Come in to pick up tickets. Don't want to stay out late on New Year's Eve? An earlier prix fix meal is \$36.95 per person.

Start New Year's Day right with three-course prix fix meal for \$26.95 per person. Order gift certificates online, or pick them up at the restaurant. The name, Il Fornetto, means "little oven," so named for its 800-degree wood-burning oven that gives many of the house specialties their unique flavors.

Il Fornetto [2902 Emmons Ave. between E. 29 Street and Nostrand Avenue in Sheepshead Bay, Brooklyn, (718) 332-8494, www.IlFornettoRestaurant.com.] Open Sundays through Thursdays, noon-11 pm; Fridays and Saturdays, noon-midnight.



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Entrees are served with vegetable and potato croquette. Delight in a spumoni, tortoni, or hearty piece of Italian cheesecake while sipping a steaming cup of coffee, tea, or espresso. You've earned the break.

La Trattoria has been around for 35 years, and the "secret" to its success is really no secret at all: "Hard work," says, Adam, the owner. They take care of everything, so you get to relax and enjoy it all.

La Trattoria [2811 Avenue U between E. 28th and E. 29th streets in Marine Park, Brooklyn, (718) 648-0334, www.LaTrattoriaBrooklyn.com.] Open Mondays through Thursdays, noon-10:30 pm; Fridays and Saturdays, noon-11:30 pm; and Sundays, 1-10 pm.



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Two pies make it right: Owner Nancy Puglisi's restaurant Krescendo serves a fennel pizza with enough fennel for even the biggest fennel fan — as well as margherita pizzas.



Pizza the world: Chef Elizabeth Falkner has got the trophy — and the pizzas — to prove she's a world pizza cup champion. Photos by Stefano Giovannini

KRESCENDO HITS THE RIGHT NOTES

New Boerum Hill pizzeria has passion, fennel

By Will Levitt

The new Neapolitan pizzeria Krescendo in Boerum Hill has a blood-orange facade and Edison-style bulbs hanging inside rusted industrial whisks in the tall and welcoming front windows, looking much like the joint venture that brought it to life — a combination of Brooklyn-style chic and authentic Italian passion.

And oh, the fennel.

The restaurant, which opened on Nov. 8 after delays caused by Hurricane Sandy, is the work of Brooklyn native Nancy Puglisi and certified pizzaiola Elizabeth Falkner, former San Francisco pastry chef of Top Chef fame, whose fennel pizza is prize-winning.

"The atmosphere I've replicated is that of old Brooklyn, from the tin ceiling to the original 1940s lamps, which were salvaged from a building Downtown," said Puglisi.

The restaurant has a selection of Italian appetizers, salads, and homemade pastas, but it only takes one glance at the glimmering, wood-burning oven protruding from the back wall to know that pizza is the main attraction.

"Krescendo is a unique restaurant because of the passion we have to truly represent artisan Neapolitan pizza," said Puglisi. "Our oven and ingredients are from Naples, replicating what pizza is like in Napoli."

The pizza menu is divided into two sections

— "Pizza Napoletana" and "Classic Italian." While standbys like Pizza Margherita (\$13) fit under the first category, more adventurous eaters can opt for the second category, with such creations as the "Californication," a staff favorite of mozzarella, goat cheese, arugula walnut pesto, Padron peppers, prosciutto, arugula, and honey (\$15).

But the star of the menu is the award-winning "Finochio Flower Power," which boasts panna, provolone, braised fennel, fennel fronds, fennel sausage, fennel pollen, fiori di finocchio and a touch of chili powder (\$13). You need not be a lifelong fennel enthusiast to appreciate this pizza. The sourdough crust alone — light, crisp, and well-charred — provides half the flavor. The

toppings, far from burdensome, are added with a light touch and are floral, salty, meaty, sweet, and savory all at once.

As customers finish their pizzas, they'll notice the polished gold trophy by the oven. It's Falkner's take-home from the 2012 Naples World Pizza Cup — where she came in first place for the finocchio pizza.

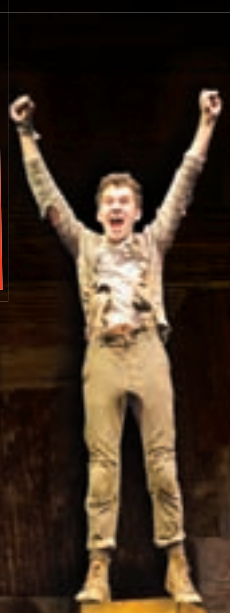
Puglisi says it's this type of passion that makes Krescendo stand out.

"We hope to keep feeding people and making them smile, while having them understand that food is synonymous with passion!"

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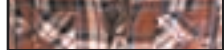
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Lytle finds time for Brooklyn

Jason Lytle hates touring, he hates waiting around between shows, and he hates answering the phone — when it's nice out.

His agita is our gain, because it is fuel for some of the catchiest indie-synth rock ever written about robots, chocolate shakes, and IT guys.

Since the brain behind the now-defunct Granddaddy will be opening for Band Of Horses at Hammerstein Ballroom — and since he hates idling between gigs — he figured he would grace fans with a headliner-length solo show at Union Hall, too.



Granddaddy daddy: Jason Lytle will play a headlining show at the Union Hall.

Photo courtesy of Anti Records

start his opening gig in Madison, Wis.

Lytle has kept busy since he disbanded Granddaddy in 2006. He has released four albums, including this year's "Dept. of Disappearance," and moved from Modesto, Calif. to the wilds of Montana.

His solo songs have taken on a slightly more folksy edge than when he was with Granddaddy, but still occupy that space of fuzzy psychedelics and sunshine-bright pop.

"Montana is a great place for me to be," said Lytle. "There is a lot of open space and I get a lot out of being outdoors in spaces that haven't been trampled. Something in it is very healthy for me. I get home and my brain is in a good place and I feel like being creative."

Which is good for a musician who broke up his band because he got tired of matching schedules and sharing buses, planes, and taxis with a bunch of other guys.

"My brain shuts down on the road," said Lytle. "I have to go home and go into some other mode to write music. I don't deal well with things always changing and chaos. I need calmness and then I can start creating new disorder."

Jason Lytle at Union Hall [702 Union St. at Fifth Avenue in Park Slope, (718) 638-4400, unionhallny.com]. Dec. 10, 8:30 pm. \$15. — Danielle Furfaro

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Sci fi panel talks future

Stranger than fiction? Yeah, right.

A scientist obsessed with time travel, who says he has discovered a way to send matter hurtling through time using swirling rays of light, will lead a panel of intrepid authors and scientists as part of a Dec. 8 Philip K. Dick Film Festival — where discussion will look at how today's fiction informs tomorrow's technology.

"People don't realize that what we call modern science was, in fact, previously considered to be science fiction," said Dr. Ron Mallett, a physics professor from University of Connecticut who frequently appears on television program's such as the History Channel's "The Universe" to discuss his breakthrough's regarding the nature of time.

Like all modern gentlemen of science, Dr. Mallett was practically raised by "Star Trek," a show chockablock with clunky, beeping gizmos contemporary science has already surpassed in many ways — making the average Joe a regular Captain Kirk.

"I'm a big fan of Star Trek, where you had Spock with this clunky communicator and now every kid on the block has something far more sophisticated than anything they had on the show," Mallett explained.

Other "Star Trek" tech more marvelous than an iPhone, such as cloaking fields and teleportation beams, may not be long in the coming, according to the professor.

"Physicists are seriously working on what is known as quantum teleportation, which is in the realm of real physics," said Mallett,



Time traveler: Dr. Ron Mallett thinks time travel is possible — and says science fiction like "Star Trek" predicts teleportation beams and cloaking fields are within grasp, too.

Photo courtesy of Ron Mallett

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who will moderate the discussion titled "Is Science Fiction the Science of the future?"

"Also going on right now, scientists are manipulating light using meta materials and they're beginning to develop cloaking."

Mallett's fascination with time travel, which drove him to physics and ultimately towards developing a method of manipulating space and time using red lasers that he's dubbed appropriately "space time twisting with light," stemmed from his childhood trials and his love of H.G. Wells's immortal "The Time Machine."

The professor's father was a strong man with a weak heart, who ultimately perished of a heart attack at the age of 33, a few months before Mallett fell for Wells's science fiction romp through time.

"I was 11 when I discovered H.G. Wells's book, 'The Time Machine,' and it actually altered my life," said Mallett. "I thought, 'what if I could build a time machine and see [my father] and maybe save his life.'"

Wells's novel ultimately led to Mallett's startling breakthrough.

"I found that a circulating beam of light causes a twist in space," Mallett explained. "I was able to show that if the twisting of space is strong enough, you can twist time into a loop. Essentially, I discovered a time machine using light."

"Is Science Fiction the Science of the Future" at IndieScreen [289 Kent Ave. between S. First and S. Second streets in Williamsburg, (347) 227-8030, www.indiescreen.com]. Dec. 8, 2:15 pm. Free. — Colin Mixson

Rising Moon

If Elvis had been born in New Zealand in 1991, he would have had just as much fun.

Musician Willy Moon creates a modern twist on 1950s revivalist rock 'n' roll, incorporating vocals which range from rapping to crooning, turntables, and crunchy guitar riffs. His dress and hairstyle harken back to the age of Jerry Lee Lewis and Little Richard, and he loves to keep listeners on their toes.

"It's fun that people don't know what to expect of me. I think there are a lot of people who find me difficult because I don't fit into any of the boxes that have been created. It makes me happy," said Moon. "I think that at heart I'm a bit of a punk."

One way that Moon tries to deconstruct the 1950s rock genre is through the inclusion of female instrumentalists. Moon values the opportunity to showcase talented female musicians and challenge what has traditionally been a male-dominated world.

"Women can play instruments and they can play them f----- well. It drives me mad. I still don't get why so many genres are predominately male," said Moon. "I think rock 'n' roll is very primal, but I don't think that's the preserve of men. Rock 'n' roll is all about freedom."

The underlying commitment to challenging the status quo is where Moon stays most true to the rock 'n' roll forbearers. Moon even sees his unconventional dance moves as a path to freedom.

"My girlfriend always said that I was kind of a weird dancer," Said Moon. "I always did my own thing. I always thought that was the most important thing."

Willy Moon at Brooklyn Bowl [61 Wythe Ave., between N. 11th and N. 12th streets in Williamsburg, (718) 963-3369, www.brooklynbowl.com]. Dec. 8, Midnight, \$10. — Eric Dryden

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Man in the mirror: Willy Moon is a performer who brings 1950s rock 'n' roll — hair and all — to the present.

Courtesy of Press Here Publicity

'Rolling Stones' rock, roll at Barclays Center

A controversial rhythm and blues band from Britain is coming to Brooklyn.

The group, calling themselves the Rolling Stones, has experienced a remarkable amount of success in their burgeoning careers — despite much controversy.

The band of long-haired dandies has amassed an impressive following of devoted young fans whose dedication borders the cultish, but the group's romanticizing of drug use and sexual promiscuity has many parents and religious groups dismayed, expressing palpable panic about the effect this "rock 'n' roll" music will have on the morality of Brooklyn's young people.

The upstart band and its young followers have caused quite the scene outside of previous shows — and it will be anyone's guess what will happen at the Barclays Center after the precedent

set by fans of Canadian crooner Justin Bieber, who blocked his tour bus and stopped traffic last month.

The lead singer, Mick Jagger, has earned a reputation for his elicited, acrobatic "moves" which give many young, impressionable audience members the fits.

Perhaps explaining his dangerously explosive dance moves are the rumors that lead guitarist, Keith Richards, has drunk Jack Daniels whiskey straight from the bottle during a live performance.

Indeed, the band's carefree attitude is not just about music.

Some cite their style for its popularity among young listeners, who are undoubtedly impressed by the members' skinny ties and sunglasses — worn provocatively while socializing indoors

where sun does not shine.

These roustabouts clearly intend to shake things up in the music world. Playing a style of music typically performed by Black artists in the deep South, with track titles from the cryptic ("Get Off of My Cloud") to the downright blasphemous ("Sympathy for the Devil") — the group challenges one's wits at every turn.

One can only imagine the sort of depravity the Stones will bring to Brooklyn.

Still, some aficionados of the nascent genre say, "Gimme Shelter" is the greatest rock 'n' roll song of all time.

Rolling Stones at the Barclays Center [620 Atlantic Ave. at Flatbush Avenue in Prospect Heights, (212) 359-6387, barclayscenter.com]. Dec. 8, 8 pm. Starting at \$501.15 as of print. — Eric Dryden

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New band: Musicians Mick Jagger, left, and Keith Richards of the Rolling Stones are popular with the kids.

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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, NY 11201, (718) 683–5604].

TREE LIGHTING: Santa, hot chocolate, and carols. Hosted by the Court Street Merchants Association. **Free.** 6 pm. Carroll Park Ball Field [Court St. between Carroll and President Streets in Carroll Gardens, (718) 875–2515].

FILM, STRICTLY-CELLULOID: MONO NO AWARE VI is the sixth annual exhibition of strictly-cel­luloid film screenings presented with live performance (ex­panded cinema). This year we’ll present 14 film performances over the course of 2 nights at LightSpace Studios, Bushwick. **Free.** 7 pm. LightSpace Studios [1115 Flushing Ave. in Bushwick, n/a], www.mononoawarefilm.com/event/mna-2012.

FILMS, DICK FICTION FILM FESTIVAL: The creative vision of Philip K. Dick lives on as the borough becomes the setting of a myriad of films inspired by one of the genre’s most celebrated contributors at The Philip K. Dick Science Fiction Film Festival. The festival marks the city’s first foray into science fiction and the most anticipated highlight is the screening of Radio Free Albemuth (2010) on Friday, December 7 at 7:30pm. \$15–\$55. 7 pm. Indi­eScreen [289 Kent Ave. at S. Second Street, (347) 227–8030].

MUSIC, ELECTRONIC, POP SOUL: Combining elements of pop, electronica, rock and blue-eyed soul into a sophisticated original blend that is all her own, Erin Barra has mastered the art of defying genre limitations. \$10/\$12. 7 pm. The Paper Box [17 Meadow St. (718) 383–3815], www.paperboxnyc.com .

“THE NUTCRACKER”: Presented by the American Ballet Theater. Enjoy the treasured classic. \$15–

\$115. 7:30 pm. BAM (3rd Floor Gilman Opera House [30 Lafayette Ave. at St. Felix Street in Fort Greene, (718) 636–4100], www.bam.org/nutcracker.

“A CHRISTMAS CAROL”: The classic will be performed in a radio style production. Reserve seats in advance. Free (donation requested). 8:30 pm. Robert Acito Park House (Cour St. an President Street in Carroll Gardens), www.brownpapertickets.com.

SAT, DEC. 8

MUSIC, HAITI TO BROOKLYN: The Kings of kompa! CaRiMi is one of the most popular bands in the Haitian music industry, known for lyrics that focus on the social conditions of its homeland, and a modernized sound geared towards younger audiences. \$25. 8 pm. Roulette [509 Atlantic Ave. (Corner of 3rd Ave.) in Downtown Brooklyn, (212) 545–7536], www.worldmusicinstitute.org/event/carimi.

MUSIC, WINTER BALL: Public Assembly hosts its annual Winter Ball with the Attic Ends, Los Peeps, and DJ Davey B. \$15. 9 pm. Public Assembly [70 N. Sixth St. at Wythe Avenue in Williamsburg, (718) 782–5188], www.pub­licassemblynyc.com.

WORKSHOP, GIFT A COLLAGE: Create an amazing collage on glass with layers of tissue paper, yarn and sprinkle with Lemon Sky. What a perfect gift! LemonSky is a fiber arts education program for children based in Williamsburg, New York City. \$20 per child. 9:30 am. Mini Jake [178 N. Ninth St. in Williamsburg, (718) 782–2005], www.Lemon-skyny.com.

WINTER WONDERLAND: Take a picture with Santa, listen to carols, arts and crafts, games and rides and food and refreshments. Proceeds benefit St. Anselm’s School. \$5. 11 am–7 pm. St.

Anselm’s Church (83rd St. and Fourth Avenue in Bay Ridge).

SEAL WATCH: The rangers lead naturalists to the best spots to view our aquatic friends. **Free.** 1 pm. Steeplechase Pier [W. 19th St. and the Boardwalk in Coney Island, (718) 421–2021].

DINING, MADE IN BENSON-HURST: Visit “Old School ” Brooklyn and taste pizza, ravioli, pastries and other Italian-American favorites. \$40. 1:30 pm. New Utrecht Reformed Church [1828 83rd Street, Brooklyn, NY 11214 in Bensonhurst, (800) 838–3006], www.madeinbensonhurst.brownpapertickets.com.

CELEBRATE HANUKKAH: Children 5 years old and younger explore the traditions of the holiday and discover how people around the world celebrate and make a craft to take home. 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.

“A RADIO CHRISTMAS CAROL”: Complete with Foley sound effects, the cast performs the classic Christmas tale of Ebenezer Scrooge and Tiny Tim. Presented by Theatre2020. \$20 (suggested donation). 2:30 pm. St. Charles Borromeo Church [21 Sidney Place at Joralemon Street in Brooklyn Heights, (718) 624–3614], www.theater2020.com.

ART, ARTIST SPACE OPEN HOUSE: Spark Workshop Brooklyn, a collaborative artist workspace in Sunset Park, Brooklyn, opens its doors for business. 5 pm. SPark Workshop Brooklyn [33 34th St. suite 2 in Sunset Park, (917) 548–7487], www.sparkworkshop-brooklyn.com.

SOCIAL AND DANCE: American Irish tunes, beer, soda and Irish soda bread. Bring your own booze. Hosted by the Commodore Barry Club. \$25. 8 pm– midnight. St.

Patrick’s auditorium [97th St. and Fourth Avenue in Bay Ridge, (917) 500–1681], www.commodorebarryclubbrooklyn.org.

SUN, DEC. 9

MUSIC, CANNIBAL OX: With C-Rayz Walz, Prop Anon, Double AB, Creature, Ireelz, J.Stylez, Original Text. \$13–\$15. 8:00 p.m. Knitting Factory [361 Metropolitan Ave. at Havemeyer Street in Williamsburg, (347) 529–6696], ny.knittingfactory.com.

MUSIC, BEETHOVEN, DEBUSSY: Michael Brown’s CD release concert. \$10 donation. 7 pm. Barbes [376 Ninth St. at Sixth Avenue in Park Slope, (718) 965–9177], www.barbesbrooklyn.com.

MUSIC, 90S COLLABO: Wasabi: In the early ‘90s, intertwined bands Blues Traveler, Spin Doctors and The Authority frequently shared bills at clubs throughout Downtown New York. In 1991, the members of these three groups solidified their collaboration by forming the loose super group Wasabi. \$15. 8 pm. Brooklyn Bowl [61 Wythe Ave. between N. 11th and N. 12th streets in Williamsburg, (718) 963–3369], www.brooklynbowl.com.

MUSIC, GYPSY SWING: French virtuoso guitarist Stephane Wrembel will be playing his own Pink Floyd and middle eastern-influenced tunes. 9 pm. Barbes [376 Ninth St. at Sixth Avenue in Park Slope, (718) 965–9177], www.barbesbrooklyn.com.

“CIRCO COMEDIA”: Side-splitting comedy and daredevil stunts. Children can meet with the members in the lobby after the show. \$12. 3 pm. Kingsborough Community College [2001 Oriental Blvd. at Oxford Street in Manhattan Beach, (718) 368–5596], www.onstageatkingsborough.org.

MON, DEC. 10

POP-UP CHRISTMAS MARKET: Featuring Brooklyn-based vendors including Spoonable caramel sauces, Bitter & Esters beer making kits, Gowanus Furniture cutting boards and Kumquat Cupcakery and more. **Free.** noon–5 pm. Loreley [64 Frost St. between Lorimer and Leonard Streets in Williamsburg, (718) 599–0025], www.loreleynyc.com.

POLISH AND ROMANIAN CAROLS: Polish-American musician Piotr Rudzinski and Romanian American singer Lia Lungu perform holiday selections. **Free.** 5–6 pm and 6–8 pm. Ridgeway Public Library [20-12 Madison St. at Forest Avenue in Ridgewood, (718) 821–4770], www.queenslibrary.org.

BARCLAYS CENTER, GOSPEL CONCERT: Grammy award-winning gospel great and Brooklynite Hezekiah Walker and his Love Fellowship Choir will be performing in “A Night of Hope” concert. TBA. 6:30 pm. Barclays Center [620 Atlantic Ave. at Flatbush Avenue in Fort Greene, (212) 359–6387], www.barclayscenter.com.

TREE LIGHTING: Caroling, hot chocolate and a visit from Santa. Toys for Tots drive will be collecting as well. Hosted by State Sen. Marty Golden (R-Bay Ridge). **Free.** 6:30 pm. Lady Moody Square [Van Sicklen St. and Avenue U in Gravesend, (718) 238–6044].

MUSIC, METAL: Metal bands Vomitor and Negative Plane play Public Assembly. \$15. 8 pm. Public Assembly [70 N. Sixth St. at Wythe Avenue in Williamsburg, (718) 782–5188], www.publicassemblynyc.com.

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MUSIC, 3 MINUTE STORIES: This December 11th at Public Assembly, our 3-Minute Story Series returns. This time out, the subject is metal. Heavy metal. **Free.** 7:30 pm. Public Assembly [70 N. Sixth St. at Wythe Avenue in Williamsburg, (718) 782-5188], www.publicassemblynyc.com.

WED, DEC. 12

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) 232-2266].

BARCLAYS CENTER, SOUNDS OF RAGGAE: Concert will include international ragga artist Beres Hammond, as well as Ali Campbell's UB40, Shaggy, and Maxi Priest. Starting at \$95.40. 6:30 pm. Barclays Center [620 Atlantic Ave. at Flatbush Avenue in Fort Greene, (212) 359-6387], www.barclayscenter.com.

TREE LIGHTING: Caroling, hot chocolate and a visit from Santa. Toys for Tots drive will be collecting as well. Hosted by State Sen. Marty Golden (R-Bay Ridge). **Free.** 6:30 pm. McKinley Park [Ft. Hamilton Parkway and Bay Ridge Parkway in Bay Ridge, (718) 238-6044].

THURS, DEC. 13

MUSIC, BLUES ROCK: Sera Cahoone and Rayland Baxter. \$10. 7:00 p.m. Knitting Factory [361 Metropolitan Ave. at Havemeyer

Street in Williamsburg, (347) 529-6696], ny.knittingfactory.com.

FUNDRAISER, CHRISTMAS COM-EDY: Professional party hosts Arden Myrin and Lisa deLarios cordially invite you to get down with your bad selves, at their yearly Holiday Spectacular comedy theme party. \$12 advance. 8 pm. Bell House [149 Seventh St. at Third Avenue in Gowanus, (718) 643-6510], www.thebellhouseny.com.

FRI, DEC. 14

ACOUSTIC MUSIC: Musical ensemble Sherita will take the stage and perform acoustic music of the Balkans, Greece, Turkey, and the Middle East. \$10 donation. 7 pm. Barbes [376 Ninth St. at Sixth Avenue in Park Slope, (718) 965-9177], www.barbesbrooklyn.com.

MUSIC, ALTERNATIVE COUNTRY: Independent Music Award winner Jan Bell will be playing tunes from her new album "Dream of the Miner's Child." 8 pm. Barbes [376 Ninth St. at Sixth Avenue in Park Slope, (718) 965-9177], www.barbesbrooklyn.com.

COMEDY, EUGENE MIRMAN: Funny man Eugene Mirman presents his first Comedy Central one-hour special, "Eugene Mirman: An Evening of Comedy in a Fake Underground Laboratory." **Free.** midnight. Bell House [149 Seventh St. at Third Avenue in Gowanus, (718) 643-6510], www.thebellhouseny.com.

SAT, DEC. 15

MUSIC, CHRISTMAS IN THE CARIBBEAN: The University Singers from the University of the West Indies perform a variety of classical choral works, American Negro Spirituals and Jazz and Gospel arrangements. \$36-\$45.

8 pm. Brooklyn Center for the Performing Arts at Brooklyn College [2900 Campus Rd., between Amersfort Place and Kenilworth Place in Midwood, (718) 951-4500], www.brooklyncenteronline.org.

MUSIC, ZIMBABWE MELODIES: Banning Eyre and Timbila will take the stage and showcase new "Afrodelic" songs. \$10 donation. 8 pm. Barbes [376 Ninth St. at Sixth Avenue in Park Slope, (718) 965-9177], www.barbesbrooklyn.com.

MUSIC, COLOMBIAN DANCE: Cumbiagra, a group known for hosting legendary dance parties across the city, will hit the stage. \$10 donation. 10 pm. Barbes [376 Ninth St. at Sixth Avenue in Park Slope, (718) 965-9177], www.barbesbrooklyn.com.

HOLIDAY MARKET: Celebrating five years of shopping mayhem. **Free.** 11am-5 pm. Littlefield [622 Degraw St. between Fourth and Fifth avenues in Gowanus, (718) 855-3388], www.littlefieldnyc.com.

BARCLAYS CENTER, COLLEGE BASKETBALL: Competing teams are Fordham vs. Princeton at 2:30 pm, St. John's vs St. Francis at 5 pm, and Michigan vs. West Virginia at 8 pm. Starting at \$21.35. 2:30 pm. Barclays Center [620 Atlantic Ave. at Flatbush Avenue in Fort Greene, (212) 359-6387], www.barclayscenter.com.

FUNDRAISER, ROCKIN' IN A WINTER WONDERLAND: Paulie Z provides the music you provide the dance. All proceeds benefit the Rock Asylum Foundation. \$10. 4-6 pm. Play Greenpoint [33 Nassau Ave. at Bedford Avenue in Greenpoint, (718) 387-2071], www.playspacenyc.com.

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Sellers offer chemical-free evergreens to discerning buyers

By Natalie Musumeci

Christmas trees come in a variety of shapes, sizes, and hues — but are they organic?

Longtime Vermont organic tree farmers have returned to Brooklyn this holiday season and set up shop at a number of street corners throughout the borough selling only their hardest, homegrown, chemical-free evergreens.

Each Christmas season for the past two decades, Adam Parke, along with his crew of family and friends, trucks south with thousands of fresh cut trees from his 207-acre herbicide-and-pesticide-free Windswept Farm in northeastern Vermont — but for Parke it's no easy task to raise Christmas-tree worthy conifers with absolutely no chemicals.

"It takes a lot more care to grow organically and it takes a lot more years to get the trees to size," said Parke outside one of his tree stands on the corner of Clinton and Kane streets in Cobble Hill. "A chemically grown Christmas tree up to seven or eight feet can be ready in seven or eight years. It takes me 10 to 12 years."

Unless they're specified organic, most Christmas trees are grown



Long line of trees: Vermont tree farmer Adam Parke, joined by partners Anners Johnson and Brianna Parke, has been selling organically grown Christmas trees across the borough for the past 20 years.

Photo by Natalie Musumeci

by conventional methods with applied fertilizers and sprayed regularly throughout the year with pesticides for various tree insects that dry needles and cause aesthetic damage to the trees.

The dedicated outdoorsman says that he mows the grass that grows beneath the 65,000 trees on his hilltop farm twice a year instead of using herbicide to reduce the grass competition — and when Parke has an insect problem he just has to accept the tree loss. For

him, avoiding the toxic chemicals typically used to grow trees is about doing the right thing.

"It's just a matter of ethics to me. It's the way I want to treat the land and I don't really want to have anything to sell to people that would have any pesticide residue on it," said Parke, adding that many of his customers buy his organic holiday trees because they are allergic to the chemicals sprayed on the conventional ones.

Organic Christmas trees even

last 50 percent longer than chemically grown trees, said Parke.

"They are just like a healthy person that eats well as opposed to somebody who lives on junk food," he said.

Organic Christmas tree shoppers with young children welcomed the fact that the trees they would later decorate inside their homes are chemical-free.

"We feel a lot more comfortable having an organic tree in the house with the kids, especially since its down on their level and they'll be touching it and putting their hands near their face and all over their toys," said DUMBO resident, Rebecca Beirne, a mother of two.

Alongside Christmas trees Parke's seven tree lots also sell homemade maple syrup tapped from 13,000 maple trees and custom-made Christmas wreaths.

Adam Parke Trees [Outside of 157 Montague St. near Clinton Street, 316 Clinton St. near Kane Street, 780 Union St. near Sixth Avenue, 456 16th St. near Prospect Park West, 286 Seventh Ave. near Seventh Street, and 71 Washington St. near Front Street, (347) 251-0758, www.adamparketrees.com]. 9 am–9 pm daily through Dec. 24, \$10 per-foot.



Dig in: Sam Saverance says his Ethiopian cuisine is like vegan food for carnivorous eaters.

Photo by Stefano Giovannini

Ethiopian food pops up at the bazaar

By Will Levitt

When life gives you Ethiopian lemons, make lemonade!

Sam Saverance moved to Africa with a background in design and development, and hoped to start a business incubator there — but failing that, he started an Ethiopian food pop-up in Brooklyn.

"The business didn't play out, but I got immersed in the culture and food," said Saverance, who can be found at the Brooklyn Night Bazaar in Williamsburg, his most recent pop-up location.

After returning to the States, Saverance did not want to let his Ethiopian experience go to waste. Thinking others would love traditional Ethiopian food as much as he did, he opened Bunna Café in May 2012 along with two Ethiopian transplants living in New York City.

The Brooklyn-based traveling eatery, which only operates on weekends (all three partners hold day jobs), specializes in hearty vegan fare and traditional Ethiopian coffee.

Highlights include misir, a dish of split red lentils cooked with berbere, a sauce made from Ethiopian red peppers, cardamom, red onion, garlic and ginger, as well as keysir, a dish of simmered beets, carrots and potatoes.

"They're hearty, tasty vegan dishes that emulate savory meat," said Saverance. "It's vegan for carnivores."

Though the menu and coffee remain consistent, Bunna's digs do not.

The café began by popping up at secret underground dinner parties, and now travels around weekend-to-weekend. They can be found in new bars, cafes, and anywhere else that will host them for Brooklynites to sample their traditional Ethiopian fare.

"As a designer, a pop-up gives me the opportunity to set up in a different space each time," said Saverance.

Brooklyn is a long ways from Ethiopia, but locals have reacted well to Bunna's creative offerings. By springtime, Saverance hopes to open a permanent brick-and-mortar shop in Williamsburg while continuing to run the pop-up.

"The best part is the look in people's eyes when they try the food," he says.

"Plus, I like being able to eat it myself."

Bunna Cafe at the Brooklyn Night Bazaar (45 N. Fifth St. between Wythe and Kent avenues in Williamsburg, www.bkbazaar.com, www.bunnaethiopia.net). Fri., Sat., through Dec. 22, 6 pm–midnight.

Handmade in Brooklyn: where to get craft gifts

By Danielle Furfaro

Brooklyn is the borough we love, but it's also the brand we love, too.

The name is synonymous with hand-crafted and locally sourced goods — so much so that even if it isn't made strictly in the Kings County, it helps to say it is. But to find bona fide Brooklyn products, go check out these shops and markets selling artisanal foods, drinks, and most importantly, gifts for the holiday season.

Fairs:

Bringing together the old with the newly made, Artists & Fleas' Brooklyn Holiday Bazaar mixes vintage clothes like flapper dresses with unique and original designs to match.

Sat., Sun. through Dec. 23, 10 am–7 pm at Artists & Fleas [70 N. Seventh St. between Wythe and Kent Avenue in Williamsburg, (718) 301-5765, www.artistsandfleas.com].

Fans of winter flannels and tiny terrariums looking for hand-crafted treasures can get their holiday shopping done while enjoying music, food stands, and even some soccer and ping-pong at the Brooklyn Night Bazaar.

Fri., Sat. through Dec. 22, 6 pm–midnight at the Brooklyn Night Bazaar (45 N. Fifth St. between Wythe and Kent avenues in Williamsburg, www.bkbazaar.com).



Sew Brooklyn: Better Than Jam store owner Karin Persan is hard at work bolstering the borough's craft culture, selling handmade goods and the supplies to make them.

Photo by Stefano Giovannini

Leave it to the Gowanus market Crafted at the Canal to take one person's garbage and turn it into another's holiday gift. The vendors will offer products made with recycled materials.

Dec. 7, 6 pm–10 pm, Dec. 8, 10 am–5 pm at Build It Green! NYC (69 Ninth St. between Second Avenue and Smith Street in Gowanus, www.bignyc.org).

The workshop that teaches folks how to weld, draw, and even make cheese is having

its Handmade Holiday Craft Fair show, featuring the best of Brooklyn-made gifts — and drinks and snacks as well.

Dec. 15, noon–6 pm, at 3rd Ward [195 Morgan Ave. between Meadow and Stagg streets in Bushwick, (718) 715-4961, www.3rdward.com].

Shops:

Not only does Better Than Jam sell an assortment of knitted, sewn, and glued together items ranging from clothes, jewelry, to accessories, but it also sells the craft supplies to get any ambitious maker started on his own venture.

Better Than Jam [123 Knickerbocker Ave. between Ingraham Street and Johnson Avenue in Bushwick, (917) 689-3879, www.betterthanjamnyc.com]. Wed.–Mon., noon–8 pm.

The hand-picked inventory at this shop featuring hand-crafted items is a great spot for those discerning interior designers looking to stock their home with useful yet elegant things like a wooden spoon to carve out the perfect scoop of ice cream or a citrus juicer for a fresh-squeezed morning.

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JOLLY OLD ELF: Chip Cafiero's close friend Santa Claus came to town for the tree lighting, and let 5-year-old Liam Dunn sit on his lap.

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SHORE ROAD PARK SALUTES THE SEASON

BY WILL BREDDERMAN

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas in Shore Road Park!

More than 300 people — including one very special visitor — came out for the annual Christmas tree lighting on Nov. 28 at the greenspace's gazebo near the corner 90th Street and Shore Road.

Chip "Festival Guy" Cafiero — a member of the Shore Road Park Conservancy, which puts the event on each year — said his very close friend Santa Claus was a huge hit with the 100-plus children in attendance when he joined the celebration.

"When Santa came in, they were all over him. Every kid got to sit on Santa's lap," said Cafiero, who added that Santa had to deal with some minor discomforts during the evening. "Santa was sweating everything. It gets pretty hot in that suit."

But Santa wasn't the only special guest: the ceremony also featured musical performances by the Xaverian High School glee club, the Guild for Exceptional Children chorus, and neighborhood musician Mary Carmosino. Cafiero praised their performances as one of the night's highlights.

"They really made it entertaining," Cafiero said.

But the main feature, of course, was the tree — which Cafiero believes is the finest that the Conservancy has put up in the almost decade-long history of the festivity. The beloved volunteer event planner said that the group chose a shorter and wider tree than it had in the past, which Cafiero said made it easier to decorate and more presentable inside the gazebo.

"I was always saying it should be wider instead of taller," said Cafiero, who helped erect the evergreen and run the electrical wire the previous Sunday.



O TANNENBAUM!: Hundreds of people flocked to Shore Road Park on Nov. 28 to see this year's Christmas tree lighting.

FORT HAMILTON DECKS ITS HALLS WITH SONG

BY WILL BREDDERMAN

Hark! The United States Army band heralded in Christmas at Fort Hamilton.



The ensemble from Fort Eustis in Virginia helped spread the Yuletide spirit to its brothers and sisters-in-arms in Brooklyn — and brought the United Service Organizations' Liberty Bells along with them.

The trio of lady vocalists opened the show on Nov. 30 with the national anthem, then the band launched into a set of holiday classics that included "White Christmas," "Let It Snow," and "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer." "They were

wonderful. They sounded great and the songs brought memories and smiles to everyone," said Cathy Santo Pietro, Fort Hamilton's Community Relations Officer.

The troupe then had the 150-member audience — which included Garrison Commander Colonel Eluyn Gines, other ranking officers at the base, soldiers and their families, Councilman Vincent Gentile (D-Bay Ridge), veterans, and civilian visitors — join them for a sing-along to "Jingle Bells," "Silent Night," and "Feliz Navidad." But Santo Pietro said the real highlight of the show was the surprise visit from old Saint Nick during the performance of "Here Comes Santa Claus."

"It was a great start to the holiday season," said Santo Pietro.



JINGLE BELL ROCK: (Above) The Liberty Bells came to Fort Hamilton to spread some holiday cheer. (Left) Sgt. Daniel Puls and Staff Sgt. Patricia Conyers sing a holiday classic.

Photos by Steve Solomonson

Ira Randal Stock has a message for politicians

To the editor,
To my elected governmental representatives, whether I voted for you or not:
What's going on? Seriously, how can you think to show your face on television, attend any public event, make a public statement or speech, or do anything other than sitting in a room with the other members of Congress and the administration in order to solve the so-called financial cliff crisis?
This summer, into the fall, we all knew it was political posturing that was keeping you from actually doing your job to find a way to fund the government and keep it solvent. But we've passed election day; you were all re-elected, as were your "oppo-

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nents" in the government.
There's no political gain to be had by swooping in at the last minute to say, "See how bad the other guys were? But we were good; we fixed it."
It has stopped being amusing, it has stopped being merely annoying. Now you're up to damaging my life and business (and, I imagine, nearly every other one of the 300 million citizens out here who are looking at our government with increasing disdain and scorn).
I'm trying to expand my business, open a new division, and I'm seeking financing to do so. Everyone I've spoken with recently has been uncomfortable about investing in anything right now, when they're unsure what is going to be in the next month or two, due to your political nonsense.
You all talked about jobs creation during the past campaign season. Well, guess what? Government doesn't create jobs. Government, if it's operating properly, gets out of the way so that people like me

can create jobs. As soon as I get my funding, I'll be hiring seven people to get the new business running, and I expect that, once we're in business and moving, we'll be hiring another 20 or 30 people.
Those are the jobs you were talking about this autumn. Those are the jobs that will help the economy improve. And those are the jobs that can not be created until you sit down with your fellow representatives and fix the mess you created.
I get it. Each of you wants what is best for the country, and you're making sure I know it's not your fault; it's the other guys'.
Honestly, I couldn't care less whose fault it is, nor who swoops in with the last-minute solution. I want it solved, now. And if you can't do it today, ask yourself what's going to change that will enable you to solve it at the end of December? If it's just more political posturing, you really need to think about resigning and getting the hell out of the way. **Ian Randal Stock**
Midwood

Shav's 'wrong'
To the editor,
Once again columnist Shavana Abruzzo has it wrong ("Bam's got a herd of voters," A Britisher's View, Nov. 15).
She says President Obama's first term was "a bomb." It was a big success.
He saved the automobile industry and thousands of jobs. His stimulus raised seven million people out of poverty. It also helped many companies.
ObamaCare has helped millions of people get health insurance, and in 2014, millions more will have it. Contrary to Republican lies, it did not take money from Medicare, it took it from providers, much of it from United Healthcare.
Obama also got Osama bin Laden — our worst enemy.
Shavana blames the lack of security at the U.S. consulate in Benghazi, Libya, on Obama, but the host country is responsible for security. **Jerome Frank**
Coney Island

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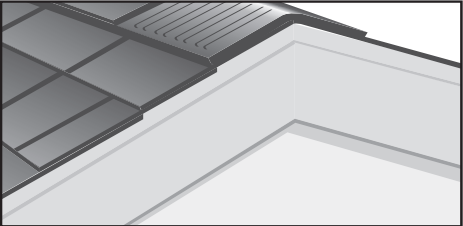
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I applaud President Obama who said, “There’s no country on earth that would tolerate missiles raining down on its citizens from outside its borders. We are fully supportive of Israel’s right to defend itself.”

Israel must first exercise its “right to defend itself.” Then, when the shelling is halted, they can talk.

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I am looking at a stack of envelopes sitting on my desk. Starting several weeks ago, in every mail delivery, I received at least one, some days as many as three requests for donations to various causes.

Solicitations always come before the holidays, for the obvious reasons. There are some supporting religious charities, others are for medical and disease needs, and several from catastrophic origins. Without even opening the envelopes I know that the appeals for the last category I mentioned were generated by Sandy.

My roommate and I have this afternoon free and will devote a few hours sifting through the envelopes. We will, as we usually do, write checks to those we find are the most worthwhile. So how do we choose who gets our money?

There’s an association named the Charity Navigator. This company ranks thousands of not-for-profit organizations on their control of administrative and fund-raising expenses, the strength of their finances, and the transparency of their operations. Transparency! Don’t you just love that word?



IT’S ONLY MY OPINION

Stanley P. Gershbein

It’s the word of the decade.

If we don’t see enough of it here in a particular charity, the navigator reduces the number of stars that entity receives. That, no doubt, results in a reduction of finances. It ranks each particular organization from zero to four stars with four stars being the highest ranking for any particular cause.

Ok, gang. Go to www.charitynavigator.org and look them up one at a time. You just may find yourself in shock when you learn that some of your favorite causes rank no better than one or two stars while others you hardly thought of at all are up there with four.

In the “Ten charities overpaying their for-profit fund-raisers,” you may be shocked to learn that the professional fund-raising fees for the Disabled Police Officers Counseling Center came in at number one with a cost of 94.6 percent of its budget. Of every dollar you may give, less than one nickel goes to the cause.

There’s a list of the “Ten highly paid CEOs at low-rated charities” and wonderful articles about the “Tax benefits of giving” and “How to protect yourself from online scams”. That last one is a winner and is a must-read for all.

I am StanGershbein@Bellsouth.net telling you to give what you can where it will do the most good. That’s only my opinion, and I’m sticking to it

Judge Joanna rules on ‘nanny murder’

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I know she did it, you know she did it, and she knows she did it. So why is child-slaying nanny Yoselyn Ortega pleading not guilty?

Oh, yeah, that’s right: she’s suffering from mental and financial difficulties and resented the family for whom she was working because they wanted her to take on extra hours to make extra money.

Really? Working harder to make more money is grounds for murder? This caused her such angst that she felt compelled to slay two innocent children.

What a concept. Work hard and you can take a life or two. I can just imagine the horror she felt when her bosses told her she could make more money if she worked more. My oh my. What was that inhuman family thinking.

All together now: “Oh I’m sorry, I have financial troubles and I resent having to work.”

Well there’s a good enough reason. Excuse me but I have to go and get a knife and slash my employer to death.

Reasonable — ain’t it?

Yeah, yeah, I know — innocent until proven guilty. Blah, blah, blah.

But we know she’s guilty — she



NOT FOR NUTHIN’

Joanna DelBuono

was caught red handed, literally with the knife in her hand.

Not merely guilty but a whole lot of nervy too. From her hospital bed she had the unmitigated cheek to ask not to have the press present at her bedside arraignment.

What a sham. Plead not guilty then ask for special consideration.

Two innocents are dead at her

hands and “she does not wish.” Who gives a damn what she wishes.

Ortega gave up any right to her “wishes” the minute she picked up that knife.

If she was so worried about the press being present, she should have plead guilty, requested the judge to lock the cell door behind her, and throw away the key, thereby effectively saving us, the taxpayers, loads of money in a needless trial and the parents a whole lot of pain and suffering in having to relive that horror again in court.

No trial, no press, no problem.

Thank god judge Lewis Bart Stone refused the request.

But I would have told her to be thankful she was in a nice warm bed in a hospital instead of a cell in Rikers.

Oh, and stop asking for any special favors.

Not for Nuthin,™ I know public defenders have to do their jobs to the best of their abilities but making pleas of not-guilty when they know the client is guilty as sin and asking for privacy from the press shouldn’t be part of it.

Follow me on Twitter @JDelBuono.

Pearl Harbor should be a lesson for Obama

December 7 is Pearl Harbor Day, and a time to remember how American might has become a cheap knock-off since the “date which will live in infamy.”

Seventy-one years ago, the leader of the free world hauled the Empire of Japan on the carpet after its sneak attack on an American naval base in Hawaii killed and wounded more than 3,500 Americans, and catapulted the U.S. into World War II.

“The facts of yesterday speak for themselves,” President Franklin D. Roosevelt told Americans within hours of the pre-dawn raid. “It will be recorded that the distance of Hawaii from Japan makes it obvious that the attack was deliberately planned many days or even weeks ago.”

No hemming or hawing there.

“Always will we remember the character of the onslaught against us,” added the commander-in-chief. “No matter how long it may take us to overcome this premeditated invasion, the American people, in their righteous might, will win through to absolute victory.”

President Obama, by contrast, has refused steadfastly to call out the Muslim fanatics responsible for the September 11 terror attacks in Benghazi, Libya, that killed four Americans, including Ambassador



A BRITISHER’S VIEW

Shavana Abruzzo

Christopher Stevens.

He also tossed the U.S. Constitution under the bus by painting the orchestrated assault as a spontaneous one over an American-made anti-Islam video, although it emerged later that the president watched the raging sortie in the White House situation room in real time before dispatching staffers to spin the damage control.

We’ll never know what Roosevelt would have done after learning that a mob of livid Muslims firebombed and ransacked the American consulate, then ambushed and attacked Ambassador Stevens and his staffers Sean Smith, Tyrone Woods, and Glen Doherty, before dragging the arguably still-alive body of our envoy through the streets, beating and kicking him, and shouting “Allah Akbar,” although it’s a safe bet to assume that Franklin would have been fearless in his response.

But we do know what Obama did.

He told Americans, “Libyans helped some of our diplomats find safety, and they carried Ambassador Stevens’ body to the hospital, where

we tragically learned that he had died,” as if oblivious that Islamo-nuts routinely drag bodies through streets, but not to assist them to safety.

He told Americans, “Well it’s too early to know exactly how this came about, what

group was involved, but obviously it was an attack on Americans,” as if blind to the sister attack on a U.S. embassy in Cairo, Egypt, where Muslim fanatics scaled the wall, burned the American flag, and replaced it with the black flag of al Qaeda.

He told Americans, “If four Americans get killed, it’s not optimal,” as if unmoved by their deaths.

He told Americans that the embassy attacks were “bumps in the road,” as if they were hangnails to be clipped and discarded.

Obama’s deceptions over the Benghazi attacks eclipse Watergate by far, and the State Department’s probe into his incompetence couldn’t come at a better time, coinciding as it does with the anniversary of the “date which will live in infamy.”

President Roosevelt’s leadership was pivotal to victory in World War II. By comparison, President Obama’s blarney in the war on terror is treasonous — and impeachable.

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Carmine warns: Don't bite and drive

I'm madder than the North Pole elves when they learned Santa wasn't paying overtime this year over the fact that some people don't get what they deserve, and others just get shafted.

Look, you all know that I work for Assemblyman Bill Colton and I sit right by the door at the office with my hand on the phone just waiting for it to ring and the other on the buzzer to let people in so they can complain to me about the things the government does that irks them. And this week I get a real doozy: the case of the woman who got a ticket for biting her nails while driving.

I know, I know, it sounds insane, but I don't have to tell you that dumb things like this happen all the time. Let me break this latest catastrophe down for you.

Sandra came into the office screaming to me that she was whacked with a hefty \$200 ticket because she was seen by a police officer as she chewed on



BIG SCREECHER
Carmine Santa Maria

her fingers while driving down one of Neil Diamond's Brooklyn roads.

So I say to her "How the heck could that happen? I don't think

there's a law against that. And if there is, it is the dumbest thing I've ever heard of. Even worse than that aforementioned Neil Diamond song.

So then she broke it down even further.

She told me that she was happily driving along when she got pulled over, but had no idea why.

The over-zealous police officer, who was probably trying to get her quota of tickets for the week, told her that she saw her driving while using her cellphone.

So Sandra says "But my cellphone is in my pocket. Here. Look at the phone log and you'll see I wasn't using it."

But the officer would have none of it, telling poor Sandra — get this — to stop wasting her time and that she would have let her off if she just said it was an emergency!"

So Sandra was dumbfounded, and tried to think back to what might have resulted in the officer

mistakenly thinking she was using her phone.

That's where the nail biting comes in.

Apparently, Sandra was chewing on her nails right before all this happens, and she thinks the officer saw her doing that, and mistaked it for her using her phone.

Now, I don't have to tell you that biting your nails and ripping apart your cuticles isn't the best thing to do when you're driving in your car, and it can be heck on your fingers and even make them bleed.

But that doesn't mean you should get a ticket for it!

So Sandra wrote a well-written, concise letter stating her case. It went a little something like this (in case any of youse have the same problem and need to fight the ticket).

"I have enclosed a not guilty response to this ticket enclosing my cell phone detail records from that day as proof. The ticket time

was 4 pm and you'll see that I used my phone last at 3:38 pm for two minutes and later used my phone at 4:48 pm for another two minutes. I would never put my cell phone to my ear because my car is equipped with a bluetooth which I would use when an incoming or outgoing call would be placed. The officer mistakenly thought I had my cell phone in my right ear, but in reality my right hand was to my mouth biting the sides of my finger nails."

As far as the ol'Screecher is concerned, this case is closed!

Sandra also added some kind words about the good jobs the officers do in keeping everyone safe.

But I don't think she has to go through all this to prove she is not guilty! Someone should check out that over-zealous cop's motives and see if she is devoid of a conscience!

And they keep saying, there's no such thing as ticket quotas!

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Care & compassion for Dr. Nice Guy

MIDWOOD

Three cheers to **Dr. Maurice Alwaya**, the nicest pulmonologist around. The good doctor was bestowed this year's Care and Compassion award on Oct. 22 because of his extraordinarily big heart and kindness. Dr. Maurice has distinguished himself as a very caring physician to his patients and supportive of his colleagues. "He's a mensch," said **Rabbi Jacob Hoenig**, Rabbinic Chaplain for Beth Israel Medical Center.

Recipients are chosen by a committee of the hospital's Pastoral Care and Education department. "Dr. Alwaya embodies the spirit of the Care and Compassion award," said **Marguerite Croda**, RN for Patient Care Services, and she should know — as a purveyor of loads of TLC and an angel of mercy.

"Dr. Alwaya has wonderful bedside manner," said **Rhona Hetsrony**, veep for administration. "He is polite to his patients and colleagues and supportive to family members."

Standing O knows from polite, so here's a bit shout-out to Dr. Alwaya, "Congrats, you're a breath above the rest."

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WHAT A BIG EYE MACHINE YOU HAVE: Dr. Kara Pasner, a professor of vision care technology at City Tech has been named one of the most influential women in the optical industry.

Jeepers creepers, it's the 'Eye-Gal'

DOWNTOWN

Specs out to **Dr. Kara Pasner**, a professor of vision care technology at City Tech. The "Eye Gal" has been named one of the optical industry's most influential women by Vision Monday, an industry mag.

Our pal Dr. Kara is only one of 11 women so named. The report is the most widely read and anticipated feature, so this is really a big deal.

"Dr. Pasner was chosen for serving as a role model for aspiring opticians," said **Marge Axelrad**, senior veep at Jobson Optical Group, publisher of the magazine.

She's a full-time member of the faculty at the college and has been in the

optical industry for the past 20 years, with offices in Midwood, Manhattan and New Jersey. Wow, she really gets around.

"My students are always curious." Dr. Kara told Standing O. Adding, "Teaching is very different than practicing." You ain't kidding.

Not only is she a professor and an eye doc, but Dr. Kara also writes for industry publications and is the low vision optometrist on the New York team of the first US Food and Drug Administration approved Implantable Miniature Telescope from Centrasight, Inc.

What an eye-ful.

New York City College of Technology [300 Jay St. at Myrtle Avenue in Downtown, (718) 260-5000].

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BOROUGH WIDE

A shiny red apple

The Fund for the City of New York announced this year's recipients of the annual Sloan Awards for Excellence in Teaching, Science, and Mathematics. And the winners are: **Cameron Cassidy** of the Gotham Professional Arts Academy (265 Ralph Ave.), **Noual Eljastimi** of the Leon M. Goldstein High School for the Sciences (1830 Shore Blvd.), and **Eyal Wallenberg** of the Urban Assembly School for Law and Justice (283 Adams St.).



FORT GREENE

Welcome and take a seat

Hats off to **Dr. Jean Ford** for being named the new Chairman of the Department of Medicine at the **Brooklyn Hospital Center**. Dr. Jean brings with him loads of experience in and out of the board room. For 10 years, Dr. Jean was at the Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, where he was an associate professor in the departments of Medicine and Epidemiology, acted as director of the cancer disparities program at the university's Sidney Kimmel Comprehensive Cancer Center, and was the Florence Irving assistant professor of medicine at Columbia University in Manhattan, that other borough, as well as the founder and director of the Harlem Lung Center, also in that other borough. Dr. Jean conducted extensive research on risk factors associated with lung cancer and asthma.

Dr. Richard Becker, CEO and president of the Brooklyn Hospital, is over the moon with this appointment and told Standing O, "We are very fortunate to have recruited someone with his national reputation for excellence in academic and clinical medicine. We are delighted to have him aboard."

So is Standing O.

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● 'I don't like being a Batman person. We're a team.'

— Jefferson's Jaquan 'Son Son' Lynch

● 'This year we had one goal and one goal only.'

— Ft Hamilton coach Richard Sherry

Blackbirds soar after bathroom break

BY JOSEPH STASZEWSKI

Julian Boyd had 20 points and 10 rebounds to help the Long Island University Blackbirds extend its home winning streak to 29-games with a 71-60 win over Lafayette at the Wellness Center on Saturday afternoon—but his run on the boards didn't begin until after a much-needed bathroom break!

Boyd found his comfort zone following the pit stop at the end of the third quarter, kicking off a 6-0 run that gave the Blackbirds a 55-48 lead with under four minutes to play.

"He had an issue where he had to go to the bathroom so I had to take him out," first-year Blackbird coach Jack Perri said, laughing. "When he came back in, I guess he was well rested, and he finished some of those baskets."

The 6-foot-7 forward helped build a lead Long Island University would not relinquish. His team had already lost to Lafayette 98-94 in overtime at the Barclays Classic earlier this season.

Matching Boyd's double-double effort was two of his teammates, who recorded the same feat. Jamal Olasewere, the team's leading scorer, dropped in 15 points and grabbed 11 boards. As of Nov. 26, the tandem of Boyd and Olasewere was the third-highest scoring duo in the nation at 40 points per game.

Point guard Jason Brickman added 12 points of his own and dished out 10 assists. Dan Trist led Lafayette with 15 points.

But Boyd didn't credit his late game spurt to his



HEADING TO THE HOOP: Long Island University point guard Jason Brickman makes a run for the hoop in the Blackbird's game against Lafayette.

Photo by Stefano Giovannini

trip to the little boy's room. Instead, he credited his floor general.

"When it comes to a late-game situation, you have to put the game away," Boyd said. "I wouldn't have had the opportunity to score those baskets without

Brickman."

The Blackbirds appear to be matching the same high level of play as last year, something the team will need to do if it hopes to win its third straight Northeast Conference crown. The team has appeared to

have turned the corner after opening its season on a four-game skid that included losses to Maryland and Kentucky, the defending national champion.

Since then the Blackbirds have won two straight

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Photo by Yinghao Luo

VICTORIOUS: The Fort Hamilton Tigers earned the Public School Athletic League championship last Tuesday.

Fort Hamilton nets city title

BY JOSEPH STASZEWSKI

Two years ago, Fort Hamilton High School sophomore Marlana Budna didn't know a volleyball spike from a railroad spike. Last Tuesday, she helped lead her school to its first city championship.

The 6-foot-1 middle hitter dominated the net during Fort Hamilton's 25-23, 26-24 win over Riverdale-Kingsbridge in the Public School Athletic League Class B final at York College in Jamaica, Queens.

Fort Hamilton (15-1) lost last year's final. But every girl on the team knew this year would be different.

"This year we had one goal and one goal only," Fort Hamilton head coach Richard Sherry said.

Budna had 14 kills, including three straight points to close out the first set, and made nine blocks. She also had two big kills late in the second set after Riverdale-Kingsbridge tied the score at 20-20—exuding an energy she didn't have last season.

"She is getting more confident and believing in

herself," said junior outside hitter Sarina Rozek, who had 10 kills. "Freshman year she always thought she was going to do badly."

Sherry said Budna's stellar rise can be linked to her playing club ball with Rozek and playing with Fort Hamilton's boy's team at practice last spring, where she played against stronger players her own size.

"It helped a lot," Budna said. "It's bigger competition. They are all taller and they hit harder."

Height was on Fort Hamilton's side against Riverdale. Budna is part of a tall trio of hitters that includes 6-foot-2 junior Lana Kravtchenko and senior Emerald Shaw, who provided five kills off the bench. Kravtchenko had seven kills and nine blocks.

"It's a clutch to have these big tall girls who are on the net using their height," Sherry said.

Those three have plenty of size, but Rozek, who has packed the biggest punch all season, fit

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Jefferson changes hoops dynamic

Coach: Jaquan Lynch, Jermoine Faison, and Nazai Stokes make up a terrific trio

BY MIKE MCAVOY

The Orange Wave doesn't have a dynamic duo anymore — it has a dynamic trio.

Jaquan "Son Son" Lynch, Jermoine Faison, and Nazai Stokes are ripping up the paint for Thomas Jefferson this season, giving the basketball squad its second victory in two weeks on Friday night as the Orange Wave defeated Brooklyn Collegiate 79-74.

Last year, Lynch and Thaddeus Hall — considered the Batman and Robin of high school hoops — brought Thomas Jefferson a borough title and an invitation to the school's first city final since 1954. But with Hall moving on this season, Lynch is ditching his roll as a star and creating a special three-man dynamic with Faison and Stokes.

"Those are my two buddies," Lynch laughed. "I don't like being a Batman person. We're a

team."

All three players scored 14 points respectively and their teamwork overpowered Collegiate's Adrian Williams, who led all scorers with 38 points.

Lynch, who scored 22 points in Jefferson's opening win against George Westinghouse, did not start the game for disciplinary reasons. But, even with Lynch on the sidelines for most of the first half, Jefferson didn't miss a beat going into break ahead 39-23.

Players say Lynch's benching proved to be positive: the team showed it isn't overly dependent on the Florida International-bound guard.

"We have to do something, we can't just ride off of him," Faison said. "When Jaquan is off, people like me have to step up."

Faison calls himself the "garbage man" because he does the dirty work of banging bodies and cleaning the boards.

His nickname was proudly on display in the fourth quarter when the game got tight and Faison had a put back a dunk off a teammate's miss.

The Orange Wave moves to 2-0 after the win, but coach Lawrence "Bud" Pollard says the team needs more work if it wants to get back to Madison Square Garden this year.

"Right now we're not where we need to be," he said. "Sometimes you need a slap in the face or a set back, and that's what we got here today."

Jefferson's players believe they have targets on their backs this season because of last year's success, but the stiff competition the Orange Wave faces this season doesn't bother Lynch.

"I know some of the Lincoln players and the Boys and Girls kids are saying they're ready for us," Lynch said. "I'm saying the same thing right back to them."



KEEP YOUR DISTANCE: Jaquan Lynch tries to avoid a Brooklyn Collegiate guard as he makes his way to the basket.
Photo by Elizabeth Graham

Vikings tame Lions in 47-34 b'ball victory

BY JOSEPH STASZEWSKI

South Shore Vikings Brianna Fraser and Aurelia Cammack dominated hosting Brooklyn Collegiate Lions for a basketball

season opening 47-34 win on Nov. 26.

Fraser, a sophomore, scored 13 of her 15 points in the second half and the Iona College-bound Cammack,

a senior, had nine of her 13 points before the break. Junior guard Emmeri Archer chipped in 10 points.

Fraser and Cammack say they complement each

other well.

"She's a good rebounder and I'm a good finisher," Fraser said. It's like the perfect duo."

The Vikings, considered a favorite for a city title, saw Brooklyn Collegiate cut its 16-point half time lead to 26-21 with 2:58 left in the third quarter. South Shore responded by turning the Lions over three straight times to spark a 10-0 run to increase its lead to 36-21 early in the fourth quarter. It was a welcome response from a team with just two seniors.

"That was good to see because we are a young team," Vikings coach Anwar Gladden said.

Fraser closed out the game by scoring seven straight points after a

3-pointer from Bishop Loughlin transfer Chelsea Gibson — a 3-pointer that got Brooklyn Collegiate within 40-31 with 2:45 remaining in the game. She and Cammack also dominated the boards, limiting Brooklyn Collegiate's second chance points.

"Their front court is tough," Brooklyn Collegiate coach Dytanya Mixon said.

The Lions dreaded a slow start in the first half where shots didn't fall. Gibson picked things up scoring 14 of her 18 points after the break and connecting on four 3-pointers.

"Once I got my rhythm going I kept shooting," Gibson said.

Gladden is still trying to get a handle on his club and mixing up his lineups.

He started junior forward Teanna Henderson over Fraser and played without star guard Aliyah Cooley. The senior is currently academically ineligible because of an error with her credits from last spring, according to Gladden. He expects to have her back later this week after the situation is corrected. The players know, though, it's not about one player for them.

"We pick up for each other," Cammack said.

She and Cammack did a pretty good job feeding off each other. It's a trend South Shore hopes continues throughout the season.

"I think we are one of the tallest teams in the city," Gladden said. "I think that is going to be the strength."

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SIDELINED: Midwood Hornets hoop star Amenia Markovic had to sit out after suffering an ankle injury.

Photos by Stefano Giovannini

Lady Hornets sting Wings

BY JOSEPH STASZEWSKI

Midwood High School sophomore Kyla Formey knocked the ball away from Wings Academy forward Diceena Newsome before she could get off a layup with 15 seconds left in the fourth quarter — allowing the undefeated Hornets to celebrate a 51-49 home win last Friday.

Formey said that she's happy she helped Midwood survive one more scare, but admits that the game could have ended differently if Wings Academy's Casiris Ruiz's 3-pointer didn't go long as the final buzzer sounded.

"I was just trying to sprint back trying to get the steal," the sophomore said. "It just felt good to have to the ball back."

Still, Formey's strip was one of a number of big plays in the game that showed Midwood coach Mike Moore that his team has grown since he took over two years ago.

"We just held it together," he said. "They just gave me that effort all the way through to the end. That's why we were able to pull this one out."

Amina Markovic is also getting a lot of buzz among her fellow Hornets: she never played organized basketball until two years ago, but finished Friday's game with 20 points and 10 rebounds.

Markovic, who showed off a strong mid-range jumper, dominated the fourth quarter before hav-



CATCHING AIR: Lady Hornet Camera Miley leaps for the basket in Midwood High's nail-biting finish against Wings Academy.

ing to sit out the final minute with an ankle injury. Her spinning layup in the lane tied the score at 47-47 with 2:30 left to play in the game. A transition layup from Alex Moogan put Midwood up for good moments later.

Markovic says she's noticed the difference in her game.

"I've gained more confidence in myself and my teammates have gained more confidence in me," Markovic said.

The Hornets played without star forward Monet Keane Dawes, who suffered a partial tear of her ACL and meniscus and won't be back until February.

Railsplitters set tone for basketball season

BY DANIEL MARTIN

Abraham Lincoln junior guard Isaiah Whitehead scored 32 points, including eight 3-pointers, during the Railsplitters boy's basketball team's 102-64 home rout of George Westinghouse last Thursday.

The performance proved that Whitehead is the unquestioned leader and centerpiece of a Lincoln team looking to win its first city title in three years, according to Railsplitters coach Dwayne "Tiny" Morton.

"He's the glue," Morton said. "It's difficult to express how important he is."

At 6-foot-5, the 195-pound Whitehead has joined a long

line of Lincoln stars that includes Lance Stephenson and Sebastian Telfair. He's still in the process of his college recruitment and is considering schools that include St. John's, Syracuse, Maryland, Kansas, and University of California, Los Angeles, among others.

Whitehead said his goal is not just to win a city title, but a state federation crown as well.

The Railsplitters (2-0) lost last year's semifinals to three-time defending champions Boys and Girls. This year's club features seven new players, and the team's going to need time to fully jell, but Whitehead sees

plenty of potential moving forward.

"We think we're very good," he said. "We average over 100 points so far, so we just have to pick it up on the defensive end."

Among those who have departed is Ethan Telfair, Sebastian's brother. He transferred to Quest Prep in Las Vegas, leaving a void at the point guard spot.

Whitehead, along with fellow guard Shaquille McFarland, a transfer from St. Patrick's in New Jersey, has started sharing the ball handling duties.

McFarland scored 12 points in the win over Westinghouse, but, as Morton

has said, the season is still young and the flexibility of the Lincoln roster has allowed him to shuffle pieces around.

Desi Rodriguez, who transferred from Frederick Douglass Academy III in the Bronx and Elijah Davis, another St. Patrick's transfer, combined for 36 points on the night. They are looking to replace graduated forward Tafari Whittingham.

But even Morton can't predict how all of these pieces will fit together for the high-scoring Railsplitters this season.

"So far, it's been solid, but it's too early to tell," Morton said.

Blackbirds

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at home. Putting aside the gauntlet of a schedule the team had at the start of the year, Perri believes his team found its winning ways as a result of one thing, and perhaps one place — Long Island University's home court.

"There's always a comfort level when you play at home," Perri said. "We stay focused, we all sleep in our own beds and we know our own routine."

Tigers

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tingly put down the championship point.

She provided an emphatic end to Riverdale-Kingsbridge's comeback attempt after it tied the score at 24-24.

She joked with a teammate before the final point that she wanted to put the game away. When the ball hit the floor her teammates rushed after her in celebration.

"It felt so good to just do that," Rozek said.

Ida's got the winning picks

As soon as Ida got the message on that day in 1963, she got to work. She outfitted a small sailboat she received from a rich family in New Orleans.

But now she was getting down and dirty in the Big Easy, ripping up the mahogany interior and filling the gunwales of the sailboat with kerosene, rope and tins of pickled herring she had brought from her beloved Silver Star. For good measure, she threw in a subway map from New York City, which she routinely used as subterfuge for her code.

No doubt the Cuban authorities — if they seized the load at all — would be confused at the surfeit of numbers on the map: "3, 425, 33, 531, 72." But it was assured that her compatriots in La Habana, Cienfuegos, Santa Clara, Santiago, or wherever they reside, would get the message, as clear as the skylight at the Flatbush Library.

But Ida had no interest in politics or the egomaniacal whims of men who go to the end of the earth for a place in history. For what is a marble bust, a stone monument, a sentence in a child's textbook, and do they all not crumble inevitably before our eyes? These were not rebels, nor government forces to which she sent this buoyant package; these were men and women simply trying to host the opening of a gallery.

That is why Ida inserted a laminated note inside one of the cans of kerosene quoting the great Walt Whitman: "The future is no more uncertain than the present."

Ida's picks: Broncos (-10.5), Jets (-2), Bears (-3), Ravens (NS), Browns (-5), Steelers (NS), Colts (-5), Falcons (-3.5), Buccaneers (-7), Bills (-3), Bengals (-3), Packers (-6.5).

Breakouts:

Dolphins (10) over 49ers
"Not sold on this Kaepernick fellow."
Seahawks (-10) over Cards
"You know the score."
Texans (4) over New England
"Texans are for real."

Kryptonite:

Giants (-6) over Saints

Ida's record last week: 7-7-2

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MASON WOODWORKS LLC, a domestic LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 9/28/12. Office location: Kings County. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Robert Mason, 127 Chester Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11218. General Purposes.

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Mohammad Farooq LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 07/18/12. Off. Loc.: Kings Co. SSNY desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 245 Newkirk Ave., 1st Fl., Brooklyn, NY 11230. General Purposes.

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Name of LLC: RAMPA Millennium LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State: 10/16/12. Office loc.: Kings Co. Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: c/o Business Filings Inc., 187 Wolf Rd., Ste. 101, Albany, NY 12205, regd. agt. upon whom process may be served. Purpose: any lawful act.

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Name of LLC: SPS TWO, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State: 10/29/12. Office loc.: Kings Co. Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: c/o Business Filings Inc., 187 Wolf Rd., Ste. 101, Albany, NY 12205, regd. agt. upon whom process may be served. Purpose: any lawful act.

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Name of LLC: Sugoi Papa Interactive, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State: 8/31/12. Office loc.: Kings Co. Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: c/o Business Filings Inc., 187 Wolf

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Rd., Ste. 101, Albany, NY 12205, regd. agt. upon whom process may be served. Purpose: any lawful act.

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Name of LLC: The Maestro Global Media Group LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State: 10/16/12. Office loc.: Kings Co. Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: c/o Business Filings Inc., 187 Wolf Rd., Ste. 101, Albany, NY 12205, regd. agt. upon whom process may be served. Purpose: any lawful act.

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Notice of Formation of 208A 23 Street Property, LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 8/10/12. Office location: Kings County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 314 Main St., Orange, NJ 07050. Purpose: any lawful activities.

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Notice of Formation of 8308 MARTINELLI REALTY LLC Arts of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/23/12. Office location: Kings County, SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 1270 85th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: any lawful activity.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of 885 Union Street, LLC Art. of Org filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 11/21/12. Office location: Kings County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process c/o Barbara Mosconi, 885 Union St., Brooklyn, NY 11215. Purpose: any lawful activities.

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Notice of Formation of BROOKLYN DIGESTIVE HEALTH, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 05/28/10. Office location: Kings County. Princ. office of LLC: 925 48th St., Brooklyn, NY 11219. Latest date on which the LLC may dissolve is 12/31/2055. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 6402 Fort Hamilton Pkwy., Brooklyn, NY 11219. The regd. agent of the company upon whom and at which process against the company can be served is Robert Kodsí, M. D., 6402 Fort Hamilton Pkwy., Brooklyn, NY 11219. As amended by Cert. of Amendment filed with

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SSNY on 04/11/11, the name was changed to BROOKLYN SC, LLC. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

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Notice of formation of CO.MISSION CONTENT GROUP, LLC. Art. Of Org. filed with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 04/23/12. Office in Kings County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 525 Atlantic Ave #B, Brooklyn, NY 11217. Purpose: marketing and advertising.

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Notice of Formation of Great Lakes Public LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State on 6/27/12. Office location: Kings County. Princ. bus. addr.: 706 Manhattan Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11222. Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: Great Lakes Public, 56 Eckford St. #1, Brooklyn, NY 11222. Purpose: all lawful purposes.

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Notice of Formation of HRMBCATS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/13/12. Office location: Kings County. Princ. office of LLC: 67 Partrick Rd., Westport, CT 06880. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process

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to c/o Ms. Helen M. Block at the princ. office of the LLC. Purpose: To own, manage and lease or sell real estate.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 1150 84th STREET REALTY LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/28/07, with an existence date of 01/01/2008. Office location: Kings County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 1150 84th Street, Brooklyn, New York 11228. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: PANARCHION GROUP LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 11/14/12. Office location: Kings County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 316 101st Street, Suite 41E, Brooklyn, New York 11209. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of limited liability company (LLC). Name: COMPLEX SYSTEMS AND REPRESENTATION LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 11/13/2012. Office location: Kings County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: THE LLC, 465 Warren Street, Apt. 2, Brooklyn, NY 11217. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of limited liability company (LLC). Name: C & H WIRING LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 09/27/2012. Office location: Kings County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: THE LLC, 35-15 84th Street, 2H, Jackson Heights, NY 11372. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of limited liability company (LLC). Name: 1948 MGMT LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 06/07/2012, Office location: Kings County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: LILY KWAI WAH LEUNG 1948 86TH STREET BROOKLYN, NY 11214. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of limited liability company (LLC). Name: 522 CITY ISLAND LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 10/16/2012. Office location: Kings County. SSNY designated as agent of

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of limited liability company (LLC). Name: SOUTH BROOKLYN RADIOLOGY PLLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 08/31/2012. Office location: Kings County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: THE LLC, 19 Girard St., Brooklyn, NY 11235. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of limited liability company (LLC). Name: NEW YORK MUSIC NEWS LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/27/2012. Office location: Kings County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: c/o United States Corporation Agents, Inc., 7014 13th Avenue, Suite 202, Brooklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of limited liability company (LLC). Name: FAITH CLEANERS LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 09/14/2012. Office location: Kings County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: Hugo Sanchez, 2 Northside Piers, Apt. 4T, Brooklyn, NY 11249. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of limited liability compa-ny (LLC). Name: IRA GROUP LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 10/09/2012. Office loca-tion: Kings County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: Igor Beylin, c/o IRA GROUP LLC, 241 Bay 34th Street, Brook-lyn, NY 11214. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: WHISPER ORGANIC BODY CARE PRODUCTS LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 10/12/12. Office location: Kings County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, c/o Patricia Fay Walker, 704 Hancock Street, Brooklyn, New York 11233. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: RITE DUNMORE LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 06/08/12. Office location: Kings County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a

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copy of process to the LLC, 342 7th Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 11215. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: RD GOLD LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 06/26/12. Office location: Kings County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 342 7th Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 11215. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of limited liability company (LLC). Name: SPACEMINDZ RECORDS LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/25/2012. Office location: Kings County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: c/o United States Corporation Agents, Inc., 7014 13th Avenue, Suite 202, Brooklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

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New York (SSNY) on 07/12/12. Office loca-tion: Kings County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of pro-cess to the LLC, 61-61 70th Street, Middle Vil-lage, New York 11379. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 130 GUERNSEY ST. LLC. Arti-cles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/09/12. Office loca-tion: Kings County. SSNY has been designat-ed as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 61-61 70th Street, Mid-dle Village, New York 11379. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of limited liability compa-ny (LLC). Name: LITTLE MISS SPARKLE LLC. Arti-cles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/16/2012. Office loca-tion: Kings County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: THE LLC, 1500 Ocean Parkway, Apt. #2E, Brooklyn, NY 11230. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of limited liability compa-ny (LLC). Name: PANNL ENTERPRISE LLC. Arti-cles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 08/30/2012. Office loca-tion: Kings County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: THE LLC, 103 Stuyvesant Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11221. Purpose: any lawful pur-pose.

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Notice of Formation of ONE PODIATRY, PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/16/12. Of-ice location: Kings County. Princ. office of PLLC: 470 74th St., Brooklyn, NY 11209. SSNY designated as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the PLLC at the addr. of its princ. office. Purpose: Practice of podiatry.

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Notice of formation of RAPID TRANSIT ART LLC. Art. Of Org. filed with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 07/09/12.

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Notice of Formation of Ruby's Place Linden L.P. Cert. filed with NY Dept. of State on 7/5/2012. Office location: Kings County. Sec. of State designated as agent of LP upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to the principal business addr.: c/o C.C.M.S., 1 Hoyt St., 7th Fl., Brook-lyn, NY 11201. Name/addr. of genl. ptr. available from Sec. of State. Term: until 12/31/2090. Purpose: any lawful activity.

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Notice of formation of SD Mash North LLC Arts. of Org. filed with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/4/2012.

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Notice of Formation of Soe Myint M.D. PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State on 9/24/12. Office location: Kings County. Sec. of State designated as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: 1923 78th St., Brooklyn, NY 11214, principal busi-ness address. Purpose: practice medicine.

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Notice of Qualification of 95 EVERGREEN SO-LAR, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/15/12. Of-ice location: Kings County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/05/12. Princ. office of

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LLC: 1205 Manhattan Ave., Ste. 1210, Brook-lyn, NY 11222. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC at the princ. office of the LLC. DE addr. of LLC: c/o Corpo-ration Service Co., 2711 Centerville Rd., Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Fed-eral St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

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Notice of Qualification of Big Deal Music, LLC. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State on 10/16/12. Office location: Kings County. LLC formed in DE on 9/20/12. NY Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: Spencer Lehv, c/o Ziff Legal Group LLP, 350 Park Ave., 11th Fl., NY, NY 10022, principal business address. DE address of LLC: c/o The Corporation Trust Co., 1209 Orange St.,

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Wilmington, DE 19801. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Sec. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: all lawful purposes.

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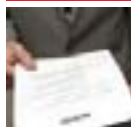
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rm divider, household
items, art work, music
items, pet items. Costume
& Sterling Silver jewelry
(vintage/new), women's
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Early Birds Please!!**

► GARAGE AND YARD SALES

**GRAVESEND: Saturday,
12/8/12 bet. 8AM-4PM,
2520 West 2nd St (bet. X
& Y). Brand New savasky
pendants, crosses & ear-
rings. House wares & bric-
a-brac. MUCH MORE!!!!**

Kensington: Garage sale
this Sun 12/9 10^{am} - 5^{pm}
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New stuff every week. Q
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vases, candle holders,
glasses, silver plate items
& porcelain. GREAT hol-
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conies. Lrg LR, kit w/ gran-
ite countertops. Master BR
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age, Parking Space for 1
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Brand new inside &
out! Semi detached 1
family, 3 bdrms, 2.5
baths, Jacuzzi, 2 new
kitchens, media rm,
c/a, alarm, beautiful
yard, pvt drv,
\$600's
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Bergen Beach
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Street-Ave X & Ave Y

Price Reduced! 6 Yrs
young s/d 1 family, 3
bdrms, 2.5 bths, gor-
geous EIK, open lay-
out, formal living rm &
dining rm, laundry rm,
finished basement,
enlarged porch in
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"New Construction"
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Sat 12/8 1:00-3:00PM
3 Fam Brick, 3 bd over
3 bd over 2 bdrm,
Hrdwd flrs, large over
1,000 SF apts, private
parking, balcony, each
unit has own boiler and
hot water heater.
Fin# 208084
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FLATBUSH
2507 Church Avenue
Bet: East 26St &
Bedford Ave
Saturday 8th
2:30PM-4:30PM

Newly Constructed
2 family 4 bedroom
duplex with 2 full
baths plus 2 bed-
room rental
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FLATBUSH
404 East 54 St
Snyder & Tilden
Sat 8th 12:00-2:00PM

Newly constructed
3 Fam Brick on quiet St
3 bdrm over 3 bdrm
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stainless appliances
plus sept heat & hot
water for each unit.
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OPEN HOUSE
SUN, 12/09, 12-2 PM
1422 EAST 48th ST
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Renovated 1 Family with
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Loaded with Pre-War
Details & Original Mold-
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► BROOKLYN OPEN HOUSE

Georgetown
Sun 12/9/12 1-3 PM
6612 Avenue M
E 66th St & Bergen
Beach Pl
Beautiful 10 yr young
s/d 1 fam duplex, 3 lrg
bdrms, 2.5 tiled bths,
huge kit with sliders to
bkyd, plenty of closet
space, fin bsmnt with
laundry area, skylights,
c/a & heat, alarm,
private 2 car drive
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Gerritsen Beach
OPEN HOUSE
SUNDAY 12/09
12-3 PM
2254 PLUMB 2nd ST.

1 family semi-att 2 bdrm,
1.5 bath duplex on quiet
tree-lined block. Eat-in
kitch, w/ sunroom to yard,
shared drive, det garage.
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Marine Park
OPEN HOUSE
SUNDAY 12/09
11AM-2PM

2050 RYDER ST
(Btwn Aves S & T)

Lovely 1 family
detached. 3 bedrms,
2 baths, large EIK, big
bkyrd. Ask \$559K neg.

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MARINE PARK
SAT. 12/8 1-3 PM
Marine Park JR.
4 Co-op
2265 Gerritsen Ave -
#5B
Near Transportation &
Shopping. Price Re-
duction ! \$129,5000
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further details
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MARINE PARK
SUN 12/9th 1-3pm
1922- EAST 38th ST
Ave R & Fillmore Ave
Fully Renovated one
Fam Brick Home,
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1 fam luxurious split on
64x100. Totally custom
designed w/ vaulted ceil-
ings, mahogany, stainless
& granite kitch, 3 Euro-
Deco baths, master suite
w/ Jacuzzi spa bath. For-
mal LR & DR. Oversized
den w/ sliders to parklike
yard, new Gunite Olympic
pool & new interlocking
pavers. Gar, 3 car prkng.
Must see!
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Mill Basin
Sat 12/8/12 1-3 PM
2723 East 66th
Street-56th Dr &
National Dr
DETACHED CUSTOM
40x100 Royal Manor 1
family, 4 bdrms, 3
gorgeous baths, large
gourmet kitchen, hard
wood flrs, plenty of
closets, sliders to patio &
lovely manicured yard, 1
car garage, 3 car private
parking
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Mill Basin
WATERFRONT
Sun 12/9/12 1-3PM
2428 National
Drive-56th Dr &
Arkansas Dr
Detached colonial, 6000
sqft, 5 bds, 3 bths,
oversized EIK, extended
fam rm, frplce, maids
quarters, 2 zone a/c, deck,
garage, A MUST SEE!!!!
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Realty:
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Mill Basin
WATERVIEW
Sun 12/9/12 1-3 PM
2655 National Drive-
off Arkansas Dr
3 story custom Colonial, 5
bdrms, 4 bths, new top of
the line kit, lrg living rm &
dining rm, 9 ft ceilings,
oversized den, gym, sau-
na, sunroom, 3 frplces, 1st
flr is Dr's office with 3 ex-
ams rms & 4 bths, olympic
size pool, alarm, c/a &
vac, elevator, garage
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► BROOKLYN OPEN HOUSE

SHEEPSHEAD BAY
/CO-OP
Sun 12/9 12:00-2PM
2140 Knapp St.
Apt#1G
Reno sun-filled 2 bdrm /
1 bath with hrdwd flrs &
freshly painted. Kit offers
new SS steel appl, C/T
flrs, wd cabinets & Caesar
stone counter-tops. Bthrm
has new fixtures and new
tileflrs. ALL utilities
included. WEB#238061
\$140's
FILLMORE RE
718-748-3331

SHEEPSHEAD BAY
OPEN HOUSE
SAT-SUN 12/8-12/9 1-3PM
2190 BRIGHAM ST, #1C
(Btwn Aves U & V)
3 Bedroom, 1 Bath Co-op.
State of the Art Kitchen
Apts w/ Dbl Door Refrig,
Designer Cabinetry,
Custom Pantry. Laminate
Flrs Thruout. New Laundry
Facilities. Maint \$1,056.
Reduced \$179,900.
Ref # SN008
Other Co-ops Available
Call Susan 718-646-3600



Sheepshead Bay
OPEN HOUSE
SUNDAY 12/09
12-2 PM
2260 EAST 28th ST
2 family brick, 23' wide
by 49' long, 2 huge bdrms
over 1 huge bdrm, interior
staircase, large LR, DR,
eat-in kitchen, prvt drv,
garage, move-in cond,
front & back porches,
huge yard, vacant.
\$565,000.
ROYAL YORK R.E.
917-902-0406

SHEEPSHEAD BAY
SUN 12/9th 12-3pm
2285 -BRAGG ST
(APT.# 4F)
Spacious three bd coop
unit in one of Broklyns nic-
est coops, Close to Marine
Park & the Nature Center.
X-Large 3 bedrooms
w/sunlit rooms, and lots of
closets. Gas & Electric
are included in monthly
charges. FIN# 218005
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► BROOKLYN OPEN HOUSE

SHEEPSHEAD BAY
SUN 12/9th 1-3pm
2807- Brown ST
(Emmons Ave & Shore
Pkway)
One Fam fully det & fully
reno. Move in condition.
Kit & baths are pristine,
ceramic tiled flrs & spiral
stairs to comp. fin. bsmnt.
5 mins to beaches. Close
to best restaurants along
Emmons Ave. This house
will not last! FIN# 218019
Price reduced \$399,000
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SUNNYSIDE
81 ONEIDA AVENUE
SUN, 12/9 1-3PM
Detached Brick Ranch -
on 60 x 10 park like yard,
3 over sized brs, updated
baths, reno kit with granite
counters, updated utilities.
BB1783.
Asking \$489,000
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► STATEN ISLAND OPEN HOUSE

Heartland Village, S.I.
OPEN HOUSE
SUNDAY 12/09
1-3 PM
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(Off Bridgetown St)
Huge 2 Family with Full
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