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Bill helps flood-hit homes

BY MAX JAEGER

Homeowners in Southern Brooklyn could be in for a flood of relief.

A long-delayed bill offering a break on flood insurance premiums finally passed the House on March 4, as thousands of property owners braced for massive rate hikes triggered by new, post-Sandy federal flood-zone maps.

"It's a big help for Gerritsen Beach," said Linda Cupo, a vice president of the Gerritsen Beach Property Owners Association, noting that worries about higher premiums dominates conversations in the storm-struck area more than talk of the city's recovery programs.

"Most people have been talking about insurance more than Build it Back or anything else," she said.

The Homeowner Flood Insurance Affordability Act would cap flood insurance premium hikes at 15–18 percent, provide subsidies for policies based on the old flood maps, and reimburse homeowners who experienced large premium hikes after buying or selling a home.

Rep. Michael Grimm (R-Bay Ridge) co-sponsored the bill, which passed the House with bipartisan support on March 4, and he is confident that the Sen-

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Belting it out!

Dominique Krol of Midwood High School sings "The Star-Spangled Banner" to kick off the return of the borough talent competition, Sings! on March 8, held to benefit Relay For Life. For more, **see page 18.**

Photo by Steve Solomonson

LIBRARY CHECKS OUT LAND

Asks city to take building though eminent domain

BY WILL BREDDERMAN

The Brooklyn Public Library wants to close the book on its \$20,000-a-month lease on its McKinley Park branch — by having the city seize the building through eminent domain.

"It's costing us almost \$250,000 a year. That's not chump change," said the library's executive vice president David Woloch, noting that amount could pay the salaries of three additional librarians

The city will hold hearings next month on taking the building away from the Arizona-based bank that owns it, claiming that having to lease the branch at the corner of 68th Street and Fort Hamilton Parkway puts an unfair burden on the library and is pre-

venting necessary repairs on the

Woloch said that almost all of the library's 60 branches are in buildings owned by the city, which pays for utilities and lets the library use them rent-free. But seven branches — including McKinley — are rented from private landlords who require the library to pay for utilities, as well as all maintenance and repairs.

The library has been putting off more than \$5 million in needed plumbing work, roof repairs, window replacement and other basic repairs at McKinley for years to avoid investing scarce resources in a facility it does not own.

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THUNDER ROLLING IN

New Thunderbolt roller coaster breaks ground, aims to open May 22

BY WILL BREDDERMAN

Thunder will roll once more in the People's Playground!

Coney Island leaders broke ground on March 10 for the Thunderbolt, the first new roller coaster in Sodom by the Sea since 1927, named for a ride the city ripped down in 2000. City leaders, amusement impresarios, and Boardwalk freaks converged on an empty lot along W. 15th Street to scoop the first shovelfuls of sand for an 11-story, nearly half-milelong rail ride. Its owner said the coaster embodies Coney's wild soul.

"When you come here, it is a place where you don't have to think of your everyday job — you can be a free spirit," said Alberto Zamperla, whose namesake company owns Luna Park and will build and operate the new Thunderbolt.

Zamperla will have to pull out all the stops to get the attraction up and running by its planned opening date of May 22, the beginning of Memorial Day weekend and the Coney summer season. To help make the date, the company has enlisted the assistance of the Keith Suber Foundation, a local organization that works to recruit neighborhood residents for jobs in the amusement area. Zamperla vowed that the ride would bring several hundred construction jobs and 20 new permanent positions, which, along with the company's multi-million dollar down-payment on the attraction, he said shows his commitment to the Playground of the World.

"The fact we are invest-





ing \$10 million of our own money shows we are dedicated to Coney Island," Zamperla said.

The Thunderbolt will differ from its predecessor in a number of ways — and not just because it won't have a house beneath it.

Luna's Thunderbolt will be a steel, rather than wooden coaster, and will sit next door to where the previous Thunderbolt roared. The new attraction will be built around an 11-story straight drop and a 10-story loop, making it the first ride to send thrill-seekers upsidedown since the Loop-theTHROWN FOR A LOOP: (Above) The new Thunderbolt will have one major difference from the old one - loops - something not seen in Coney Island for nearly a century. A model of the roller coaster show the 100-foot drop that starts off the ride. (Left) The remnants of the original Thunderbolt were torn down in 2000.

Loop, which closed shortly after World War I. The cars are supposed to reach speeds as fast as 55 miles and hour, with the entire ride lasting about 2 minutes.

The original Thunderbolt was built in 1925 atop the Kensington Hotel, which served as home to many of the coaster's caretakers, including the late Andy Badalamenti and Alvy Singer, the fictional protagonist of Woody Allen's "Annie Hall." The ride closed in 1982 after suffering severe damage

in an arson. The Giuliani administration destroyed the derelict attraction in a controversial pre-dawn demolition in 2000, a move a federal judge later declared illegal. The owner, the late Horace Bullard, received just \$1 in compensation.

Zamperla also operates the city-owned Cyclone, the most recent coaster to rise in Coney, and the company is behind the lighting of the Parachute Jump and the restoration and operation of the B & B Carousell.



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COMING TO CONEY: Luna Park is in negotiations to bring a water park to Coney Island. Associated Press / Jan Bauer

Luna owners plan for a water park

BY WILL BREDDERMAN

The people behind Luna Park are looking to make an even bigger splash in Coney Island.

Zamperla — the company that operates Luna Park, lights the Parachute Jump, and makes the B&B Carousell go round — are in talks to build a water park on the former site of the original Thunderbolt rollercoaster.

Italian-born amusement tycoon Alberto Zamperla said that he is in negotiations with Jasmine Bullard, daughter of the late Sodom by the Sea land baron Horace Bullard, to construct a slippery funzone on five parcels stretching from Surf Avenue to the Boardwalk.

Zamperla said part of his excitement to develop the site comes from his admiration for Horace Bullard's failed dream to resurrect Coney Island in the 1980s.

"I have great respect for their family," said Zamperla, adding that he keeps a copy of Bullard's old blueprints for a new Luna Park in his office.

Zamperla's company is already working on a new Thunderbolt rollercoaster in the lot next

door to where the old one stood from 1925 until 2000 - when the Giuliani administration ordered the derelict ride torn down in a pre-dawn demolition that a federal judge later declared illegal.

Details on the water park deal are still sketchy.

"It's in the very primary stages, we don't want to mention anything yet," said Valerio Ferrari, president of Central Amusements International, the Zamperla subsidiary which operates its attractions in Coney.

But real estate experts pointed out that the Bullard property includes rights to build concessions and a grand entryway along the Boardwalk.

"It can be anything as long as it fits the zoning - and that means amusements or food," said Joe Vitacco, a friend and real estate broker to the late Bullard.

This wouldn't be the first effort to bring a water park to the People's Playground, but it could be the first to succeed, after a 2010 plan to erect a set of inflatable waterslides on the beach couldn't get the necessary state permits.

Gala celebrates Coney

Alliance party looks to future of amusement district

BY MAX JAEGER

Coney Island's movers and shakers came out in droves for the Alliance for Coney Island's second annual winter gala on March

The gala is the Alliance's fund-raising vehicle and paid tribute to the people who helped shape Coney Island in recent years, said the Alliance's director of operations, Johanna Zaki. This year's honorees were president of Empire State Development Ken Adams; former borough president Marty Markowitz; and former Councilmember Domenic Recchia for their support of Coney Island, especially after Hurricane Sandy rocked the People's Playground.

Fund-raising totals were not available as of press

Shea, George nouncer for the Nathan's Famous hot dog-eating contest, kicked off the evening with a bombastic introduction set to Eminem's "Lose Yourself."

Councilman Mark Treyger gave a rousing speech, championing the Alliance for efforts to rebuild after the superstorm.

"Alliance — that's what it is going to take to get this neighborhood not to where it was, but stronger and better," Treyger said.

Zaki said Coney Recovers raised more than \$700,000 in 2013 to provide resources to communitybased organizations.

Much of the evening, however, was about looking forward.

Tourism is the fifthlargest employer in New York State, and it is one of the fastest-growing employment sectors, Adams said.

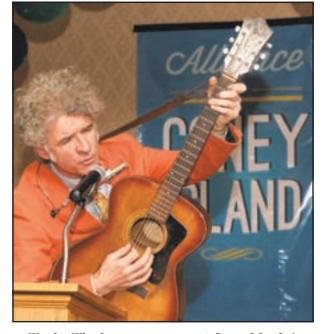
"So much of that is anchored by success here," he

A staffer for Rep. Hakeem Jeffries echoed that sentiment during a speech.

"You might be at the end of the map, but you're at the center of the district," said Stina Skewes-Cox, district director for the congress-







Wonder Wheel co-owner Dennis Vourderis said he is particularly excited for the new Thunderbolt rollercoaster coming to Luna

Park — the first coaster to

open at Coney Island since the Cyclone in 1927.

The evening also featured a musical performance from Park Slope's Dan Zanes, who played his GALA GRINS: (Top to bottom) Wonder Wheel owner Dennis Vourderis; honoree Marty Markowitz; Central Amusement International president Valerio Ferrari; Gargiulo's Restaurant co-owner Nino Russo; Markowitz's wife, Jamie; and Nate Bliss, president of the Coney Island Development Corporation, are all smiles for Coney Island. Courier Life Publisher Cliff Luster chats with Lori Raphael of the Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce. Dan Zanes plays a live rendition of his song "Wonder Wheel" - named for the famous ride. (Below) Nathan's Famous hotdog eating contest announcer George Shea kicked off the gala with a rousing speech.

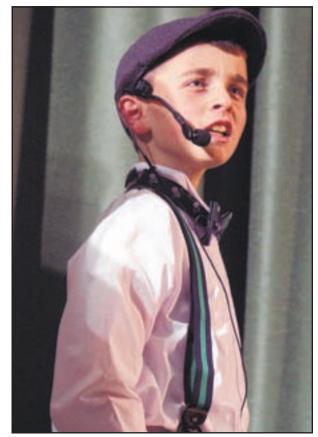
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song "Wonder Wheel."

After Zanes's perfromance, he shared an embrace with Vourderis.

"I love your song," Vourderis said.



WATER OFF A DUCK'S BACK: (Above) Jack Harkin takes other characters' jeers in stride as Ugly the duckling in PS 207's production of "Honk! Jr." – an adaptation of Hans Christian Andersen's children's story "The Ugly Duckling." (Center) Two ducklings taunt Ugly in a scene. (Right) Emma Mellone and Nedia Thompson portray Maureen and Ida.

Photos by Steve Solomonson





'Ugly' duckling finds love in play

BY NICHELLE HENRY

Students of PS 207, the Fillmore Academy, Drama Club took the stage to put on their version of the musical "Honk! Jr." last week.

"Honk! Jr." is a modernday telling of Hans Christian Andersen's "The Ugly Duckling," and follows Ugly, an akward duck whose looks cause prejudice from his family and neighbors. Seperated from the rest of the farm, Ugly must find his way home, and during his journey he discovers true beauty, love, and acceptance in all forms.

"The show was a great

success and the children were delighted," said Dr. Deborah Getman, response and intervention teacher at the Fillmore Avenue school. "Each year Fillmore puts on a show and it builds students confidence, educates them, and helps their public speaking."

The production was put together by math teacher Kim Simek, who used students in the sixth, seventh, and eighth grades as actors. Students practiced for weeks and also worked to put together stage props and backgrounds for the show

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BON APPETIT: Father-son owners Richard and Arthur Winter show off a tarte flambe and sliders at the opening of their new restaurant The Runner on Myrtle Avenue.

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Old thyme-y eatery

New restaurant channels Walt Whitman

BY MATTHEW PERLMAN

Let's just hope the leafy greens don't taste like grass.

A new, Walt-Whitmanthemed restaurant called The Runner opened in Clinton Hill on March 6, serving up old-timey dishes that the original Bard of Brooklyn might have munched on in his day. One of the eatery's proprietors said the inspiration for the antique menu came to him in an exceedingly modern flash.

"I literally started Googling the history of Clinton Hill and Whitman came up pretty quick," said Runner co-owner Richard Winter.

Whitman resided in the borough for much of his life and only laid his head in Clinton Hill for less than a year. It was a productive time, though — historians say the brownstone neighborhood is where Whitman finished his seminal work "Leaves of Grass." The poem "The Runner" appears in that fat tome and Winter interprets it as a symbol for progress and the Industrial Revolution. which reminds him of the changes sweeping across Brooklyn today.

"When I thought about what's going on in this neighborhood, on Myrtle Avenue, I knew it was just right," said Winter about



LYRICAL EATS: The Runner is named after a poem by famous Brooklynite Walt Whitman, and the food pays homage to his time. Photo by Elizabeth Graham

choosing the name.

The head chef is Andrew Burman, who made a name for himself slinging sandwiches at Court Street Grocers in Carroll Gardens.

Burman designed The Runner's menu around American fare from the early 1900s and cooks most dishes on a wood-fired stove. Winter describes the cuisine as "simple comfort food."

"We're not going crazy with food science," he said.

The menu boasts roasts including chicken with watercress, fennel, and lemon,

and a lamb shoulder with cinnamon currants, pickled onions, and cilantro. Seafood appetizers include razor clams and roasted oysters.

The period dishes include chicken liver mousse as well as bone marrow with escargot — a fancy way of saying snails — and apple onion jam.

This is Winter's first shot at owning a restaurant, but he knows the money side of the business. Previously he had a career as a minor league baseball player, then went to work as an executive for the Institute of Culinary Arts, and most recently started a consulting firm that handles accounting and financing for restaurants.

He said Clinton Hill is exactly the type of neighborhood he was looking for when he decided to pursue his latest venture.

"We were looking at growing neighborhoods that have a love for culinary arts," Winter said. "This area of Brooklyn is perfect."

The Runner [458 Myrtle Ave. between Washington and Waverly avenues in Clinton Hill, (718) 643–6500, www.therunnerbk.com]. Brunch Saturday–Sunday, 11 am–3 pm. Dinner Sunday–Thursday, 5–10 pm. Friday–Saturday, 5–11 pm.

Celebs shine for youth writing group

Park Slope literacy program hosts star-studded evening of A-List conversation

BY MATTHEW PERLMAN

These stars came out for a super cause.

Park Slope's Super Hero Supply Company, the storefront home of the youth writing program 826NYC, celebrated its anniversary last Wednesday night at Manhattan's Town Hall with a series of live interviews that paired journalists with big-name performers and artists, including actors John Oliver and Fred Armisen, musician Questlove, and filmmaker Ken Burns. The comedian, Sloper, and 826NYC board member Eugene Mirman co-hosted the event and opened up the evening's chatter with a routine set in the neighborhood all the fuss was about.

"Whenever I go to the supermarket on Fifth Avenue with my girlfriend, I like to play a game where I try to think of something I can yell to her that makes peo-

ple think that she is crazy," Mirman said. "When I was by the shopping cart, and she was about 20 feet away from me, I yelled to her, 'You know what? I am going to get toilet paper! I don't think it's a waste!"

The Super Hero Supply Company, on Fifth Avenue between Fifth and Sixth streets, sells novelty items such as "invisibility liquid" and particle guns — unabashed bits of false advertising — along with capes and disguises. 826NYC runs the store and puts the money toward a tutoring program and writing workshops for kids aged 6 to 18 from around the city.

The evening was equal parts comedy and serious conversation. The first interview was between journalist Jon Ronson and actor Chris O'Dowd. Over bottles of Brooklyn Brewery beer, the pair talked about drama





TALK ISN'T CHEAP: (Above) Actor Chris O'Dowd is interviewed by journalist Jon Ronson at a fund-raiser for 826NC. (Left) Questlove confessd that he has always wanted to play a corpse on "Law and Order: SVU."

Photos by Stefano Giovannini

school and O'Dowd's upcoming role in a Broadway production of "Of Mice and Men."

Then New York Times columnist Anand Giridharadas quizzed Russian author Masha Gessen about her government's oppression of gay people and about ongoing unrest in Ukraine.

Things got lighter after that, with a performance from musician Robyn Hitchcock, followed by a chat between former "Daily Show" correspondent John Oliver and Questlove, the band leader of The Roots and Brooklyn Bowl DJ fixture. The duo dwelled on the root canal Questlove underwent that morning and how he tried to cram a Pink Floyd album listening session into his nitrous oxide experience.

"You are even funnier in a sort of gas induced fever," quipped Oliver.

The executive director of 826NC, Joshua Mandelbaum, said he hopes to celebrate next year's anniversary closer to home.

"I'd love to have an event like this in Brooklyn," he said.

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Barry Stern

68TH PRECINCT

BAY RIDGE-DYKER HEIGHTS

Tax fraudit

A scammer tricked a Dyker Heights resident into handing over thousands of dollars in pre-paid debit cards on March 10.

Someone claiming to represent the Internal Revenue Service called the victim around 10 am and stated the victim owed the government \$1,887, according to police reports. He said the mark had 20 minutes to pony up before feds would come knocking, and sensing a sweet deal, the perpupped the ante to \$4,000, reports state.

The victim complied, buying eight "Green Dot" pre-paid debit cards and mailing them to the perp's out-of-state address, law enforcement sources say.

Behind (Re)bars

Cops clamped a pair of perps who allegedly stole \$400 worth of building materials from a construction site on Shore Road on March 8.

A contractor told cops he saw the pair snooping around the site around 9 am and called the cops. When a patrol car found the suspects nearby, they were allegedly carting pinched rebar and pipe clamps. The complainant identified the two, and police booked the alleged bandits.



Charge 'em

Two guys got a lot more than they bargained for after cops collared them for shopping with bogus credit cards on Fifth Avenue on March 5.

The duo went on an afternoon shopping spree at a department store, but when they went to swipe their card, something registered with the cashier, and they called police, officials say.

An anti-crime unit picked up the suspects, who allegedly possessed several fake cards, and charged them with grand larceny, according to police.

He got belted

A vicious goon whipped a man's face with a belt buckle during an argument in front of a Fourth Avenue deli on March 2.

The victim told police he got into it with two other individuals around 5 am,

and when the gloves came off, so did a belt. The victim was so whipped, he did not give a description of his attacker, police say.

First responders took the victim to Lutheran Medical Center for wounds requiring 14 stitches. Police are asking anyone with information about the belt beating to call the 68th Precinct at (718) 439–4211.

62ND PRECINCT

BENSONHURST-BATH BEACH

Jacket jackers

Two thugs choked out a 30-year-old man on New Utrecht Avenue on March 5—and stole his jacket and cellphone.

The pair fled on foot eastbound on 62nd Street, authorities say.

Prescription for abuse

A real monster beat his ex-girlfriend

and stole her meds in Bensonhurst on March 6, say police.

According to cops, the pair was embroiled in an argument at the woman's Avenue O apartment when the man punched his former lover in the face and dragged her down some stairs by her hair. He took her purse and removed \$440 worth of pharmaceuticals, police state.

Friendship fizzled

Two friends' relationship went up in smoke when one threw a hookah at the other in a W. Ninth Street apartment on March 10.

Sparks started to fly when the two women got into an argument at the pad. The allegedly perp smashed a hookah on the victim, cutting her arm. Then she trashed her former friend's stereo, police say.

All told, the suspect destroyed more than \$250 of her friend's property, according to police reports.

Did you try knocking?

A Bensonhurst man lost \$4,800 in electronics after someone smashed their way into his home on March 5.

First, the perp flattened the home's front door, then went for the prize behind Door No. 2, bashing in a bedroom door to reach the man's cache of high-tech gear, according to reports.

— Max Jaeger



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Ukraine pain

Brooklynites from war-torn nation blast Russia

BY WILL BREDDERMAN

The conflict shaking Ukraine is opening schisms among the nation's emigres in Brooklyn — but they seem to agree on one point: Russia needs to stay out.

In the aftermath of a pro-European uprising in the Ukrainian capital Kiev that drove out pro-Russian president Viktor Yanukovych, Russian President Vladimir Putin is threatening to annex the country's Crimea region by force — to the chagrin of Brooklynites born in Ukraine.

"I believe it is awful. I believe Putin is a criminal," said Kiev native Yelena Makhnin, director of the business improvement district in Brighton Beach nicknamed "Little Odessa," after the Ukrainian city. "Whatever is going on in a country should be decided in a country, not by any mili-

tary coming into a country." Like many Russianspeaking Ukrainian immigrants who came to Brooklyn following the fall of the Soviet Union, Makhnin is Jewish. But she brushed off Russian reports that the faction now in control of Ukraine is anti-ethnic Russian and anti-Semitic.

"I was never ever discriminated against for speaking Russian. I was never called bad names for being Jewish," said Makhnin. "For Putin to say he is promoting the interests of Russians and Jews, it is a joke."

Other Ukrainian-born Brooklynites said they initially sympathized with the anti-Russian protestors in Kiev, but have become increasingly frightened of their allegedly pro-Nazi and anti-Semitic tendencies.

"We all know who these people are. They were the ones burning Jewish villages to the ground during the war, and they were the ones beating gays in the streets before they found Molotov cocktails to toss at the Russian tanks," said Lena Tsodikovich, a 26-year-old community organizer. "I'm so torn on this glad that they're fighting



SHCHE NE VMERLA UKRAINA: Brighton Beach Business Improvement District director Yelena Makhnin is fiercely opposed to Russian intervention. Photo by Steve Solomonson

back, but afraid of the inevitability of both their loss and their rise to power."

Tsodikovich's family moved to Coney Island when she was eight years old on refugee visas granted to Jews fleeing persecution. She said her Jewish relatives in the old country haven't reported any problems so far, but Tsodikovich still suspects the Western press has whitewashed the nastier aspects of the nationalist movement in order to advance a pro-American agenda.

"I'm getting the sense that this is like any other seemingly unrelated conflict — for America, it is an opportunity to supply the rebellion, build alliances, and have a hand in the next administration," said Tsodikovich. "I'm so sad that my home country is just another battleground of an opportunity to expand American imperialism."

Still, Tsodikovich doesn't want Russia intervening in Ukraine.

"When our land was rich with resources - wheat, infrastructure, skilled labor Russia took it all," she said.

Some shared Tsodokovich's fears of anti-Jewish sentiments in the new Ukrainian government but were still overjoyed to see Yanukovych deposed, noting the ex-leader's past convictions for robbery and assault, and claims that he embezzled money and abused protestors.

"He's a criminal. He

stole billions of dollars from the country, from the public funds. The people were suffering," said Michael Belogorodsky, a Gravesend resident. "But he didn't have any fascist or nationalistic views."

Belogorodsky was born in the Simferopol, the Crimea's provincial capital, and came to America in 1995 at age 11. Today, he is an NYPD sergeant and president of the Russian-American Officers Association. Belogorodsky recalls enduring anti-Semitic taunts as a boy, and said he never identified himself as a Ukrainian.

He has staved in contact with friends throughout the country of his birth, and has tried to sort out what is really happening on the ground.

"I've tried to dissect the facts. Russian media has a lot of propaganda, but what they show is true," Belogorodsky said. "But the selection of what they show appears to have a purpose."

Belogorodsky said he believed Crimea, which has a majority of ethnic Russians and was part of Russia until 1954, should be allowed to decide if it wants to break away from Ukraine — but he was resolute in his condemnation of Russia's military intervention.

"What Russia is doing is politically, is ethically, is legally wrong," Belogorodsky said. "I don't support Russia, but I can tell you I support the people in the Crimea."



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Tiny dancers and artists show skills

Kids from PS 326 entertain district leader



THAT'S ENTERTAINMENT: Kindergartener Jah-harna Jenkins ends her dance routine for the District 22 Community Education Council meeting with jazz hands. (Below) Kids from PS 326 show off paintings they created for community superintendent Rhonda Farkas's office. Photos by Elizabeth Graham

BY MAX JAEGER

A school leader got a special surprise at a recent education council meeting.

Students from PS 326 in Flatlands presented the district's superintendent with hand-painted pictures to decorate her office.

"I'm truly touched and amazed at the incredible talent," said District 22 superintendent Dr. Rhonda Farkas. "The paintings don't look like they're the product of 7-year-olds."

Before the district's community education council meeting started, kinder-



gartners and first-graders showed off their dance skills for council members and residents.

Then, second-graders offered up nearly a dozen paintings as a show of gratitude to the superintendent,

who will hang them around her office, she said.

Some pieces all-orig-Others were inspired by classics like Claude Mo-"Bridge net's

over a Pond of Water Lilies." Edvard Munch's "The Scream," and Vincent Van Gogh's "Starry Night."

The students also read artists' statements explaining their pieces. Both the artists' names and statements will appear on plaques below the paintings in Dr. Farkas's office.

"Each student had a response that was so wellthought out and eloquently articulated," she said.

Dr. Farkas said the quality of both the paintings and the statements proved that the district's early childhood centers were doing strong work.

"I could see that these children were given the freedom of exploration," she said.



Dem beef may force primary for Grimm seat

Colton wants Salgado to run, Olechowski complains judges picked Soviet style

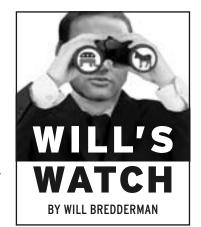
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Assemblyman Bill
Colton (D-Bensonhurst)
is pushing ex-mayoral candidate
and evangelical minister Erick
Salgado to run as a Democrat for
the seat of Rep. Michael Grimm
(R-Bay Ridge) — forcing a primary against former Coney Island councilman Domenic Recchia, one of Colton's most hated
enemies.

Salgado tweeted a photo of himself and Colton on March 10 thanking the pol for helping him set up his exploratory committee.

Salgado lives on the north shore of Staten Island — the borough that makes up the bulk of Grimm's district — where he has a congregation of 200. He also has satellite churches on 18th Avenue in Bensonhurst and W. Seventh Street in Gravesend. The minister said Colton offered his support for a congressional run on March 5.

"He's willing to work with me very strongly," Salgado said.

Colton did not respond to requests for comment, but sources suggested that he may not be seri-



ous about getting Salgado elected, and is instead trying to force Recchia to ask for his support.

"Colton wants people to think he is important, and what he wants is for Domenic and his people to come to him and say 'Oh, how can we make this right?'" a source told us.

For his part, Salgado blasted Recchia as too left-wing to win the votes of Staten Island's old-fashioned Reagan Democrats.

"The people in Staten Island

don't want to be represented by an ultra liberal," Salgado said. "They would like to be represented by a real Democrat with some conservative views."

Recchia's campaign declined to comment.

Salgado's mayoral run drew strong support from Russian media mogul **Gregory Davidzon**, widely seen as a kingmaker in southern Brooklyn's growing community of Russian emigres. Records show that the minister paid Davidzon almost \$50,000 for advertising on his Russian-language radio station during last year's mayoral primary, and that the campaign still owes the media tycoon nearly \$5,000 for consulting services and office rent.

Salgado said that Davidzon was enthusiastic when told of his plans to run for Grimm's seat.

"He was very excited when I talked to him and mentioned that I was thinking to jump in," the minister said.

A spokesman for Davidzon said that he has yet to decide who he wants to win the seat.

The Kings County Democratic machine is the weakest it has been in years, but there is still one lever it has kept in its grip — New York Supreme Court judgeships.

Instead of facing open primaries like civil court judges do, justices on the Supreme Court — the lowest level of trial court in the state — get elected purely through the machinations of the Democratic Party. And even insiders say the system is rigged.

"It's a question of sucking up. And the person who does that best seems to get elected," said **Chris Olechowski**, a former Democratic Party district leader from Williamsburg and Greenpoint.

When positions on the Supreme Court open up, district leaders — unpaid, low-level party officials elected to represent the borough's Assembly seats in the county machine — help pick delegates to a judicial convention in the fall, which is supposed to select the county's nominees.

Olechowski, who served as a district leader in 2013, said he was

inundated with calls from more than 20 civil court judges hoping for one of the five open seats on the Supreme Court.

"They were calling me constantly at home and at work," he said.

Shortly before the judicial convention last September, Brooklyn's 42 district leaders held a meeting that Olechowski was unable to attend — but that he realized later was where they selected an official slate of five judicial candidates.

When he went to the convention, he saw party operatives handing out pre-written statements of support for just five of the candidates, which the delegates dutifully read.

Olechowski was shocked, comparing the system to that in Communist countries.

"I looked at my wife, and she said this reminded her of what happened in Poland during the '60s and '70s, when the Politburo rubber-stamped whatever candidates they wanted," Olechowski said.

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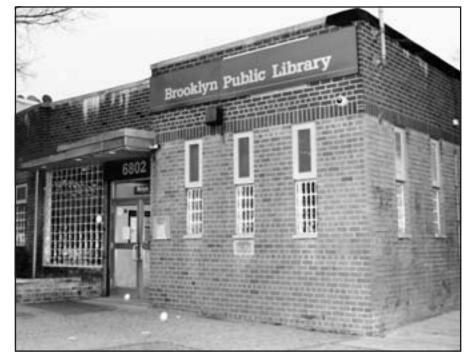
Heights branch expiring this summer, the library would rather have the city seize the building from the owner, a branch of BMO Harris Bank in Scottsdale, Ariz., than sign another long-term rental commitment.

The library first offered to buy the building for \$2.4 million, but the bank turned it down and made no counter offer, so the library began the eminent domain process, which allows the city to take over private property to use for the public good.

"At this point the landlord has indicated an unwillingness to sell, and it serves the public interest for the library to own the building," Woloch said.

McKinley would be the first building the library has had seized through eminent domain, according to Woloch, but it began the process to take over the Ulmer Park branch building in Bath Beach last year, at which point the owner

the state median income



CENTRAL BOOKING: The city seeks to seize the McKinley Park Library from the Arizona bank that owns it through eminent domain. The Brooklyn Public Library currently pays \$20,000 per month in rent for the building.

Photo by Steve Schnibbe

agreed to sell.

Woloch said the library is not worried that fear of losing their property would cause the owners of the other six leased branches to try to push them out, or would make

landlords reluctant to rent to it in the future.

"I don't think it changes the playing field for us to our disadvantage at all," said Woloch, adding that the library would likely seek to acquire all of the rental spaces. "I would not be surprised if we pursued a similar path down the road for some of the others."

A spokesman for the bank declined to comment.

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ate will adopt the bill and the president will sign it into law in coming weeks, a spokesperson said.

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Management Agency is responsible for administering the federally subsidized
flood insurance program
and is in the process of updating flood maps nationwide. New maps for Brooklyn that expanded the areas
considered highest risk
were released a year ago
— just three months after
superstorm Sandy ravaged
the region.

The exact amount and duration of the bill's new subsidies would depend on an individual's insurer, said Richard Hoffman, a Grimm aide who helped write the bill. But he said that homeowners could count on more than a few years of relief.

"It's going to take a very long time for the subsidies to erode," Hoffmann said.

The bill offers special protections to homeowners in Southern Brooklyn whose homes were built before the

first federal flood maps were adopted in the late 1970s, according to Hoffmann. Those provisions would make it easier for them to sell their homes.

The government requires homeowners with federally backed mortgages living in flood zones purchase flood insurance, but many in Southern Brooklyn own their homes outright, meaning they can choose whether to purchase insurance.

They are nonetheless concerned they would not be able to sell, because hefty insurance requirements would scare potential homebuyers — most of which would finance their homes with federally backed mortgages.

Under the House bill, individuals who buy pre-1970s homes would not be on the hook for the full flood insurance rate, Hoffmann said, since the additional subsidy would go to the property, rather than the owner.

"It's a big relief," said Cupo.

"That's what everyone was talking about — 'I can't sell my house.'"

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Kings Plaza: Sorry

Apologizes for poor post-brawl response

BY MAX JAEGER

Kings Plaza Mall is working to repair its image in the wake of recent disturbances, but some locals say the push is coming too late to undo the damage.

Mall managers issued a belated mea culpa for a poor public response following two incidents at the shopping center involving large groups of unruly kids. Residents said management did not take seriously requests to appear before civic groups, and a representative from Macerich, which purchased the mall a vear ago, acknowledged at a March 11 meeting of the Bergen Beach Civic Association that it was a bad decision.

"I wish I'd done that differently," said Don Pott, Macerich's vice president of property management. "I wish we had come."

Residents said they felt ignored after more than 100 rowdy teens descended on the mall on Dec. 26 last vear, and Macerich downplayed the incident. A similar scenario unfolded on Feb. 17, resulting in two arrests for disorderly conduct, but locals felt mall management tried to minimize that incident as well.

Compounding that image Tuesday night, Macerich brought five representatives to the civic meeting, but none were from the company's security department. After several security-related

questions from residents, Pott called Macerich's vice president of security and had him give answers over the phone.

A chief concern among locals was whether Kings Plaza was brushing incidents under the rug rather than reporting them to police. Pott said that was not the case.

'We don't skew numbers. We don't not report things," he said.

The mall reports all violations of New York State penal code to the 63rd Precinct, said Anthony Lauro, Macerich's vice president of security. He said police do not arrest minors for low-level crimes, and the police department had no grounds to arrest teens for simply congregating or being noisy.

But infringements on Kings Plaza's code of conduct, which includes prohibitions on saggy pants and groups of three or more teens, do not necessarily warrant informing police, Pott said.

"They don't want to know if we threw a kid out because he didn't pull up his pants," he said.

Pott said Macerich is installing new lighting and security cameras in the mall and parking garage, but it will not implement valet parking.

In addition, two officers from the 63rd precinct will patrol the mall, said 63 precinct commanding officer Deputy Inspector John Rowell. They will arrive at 1 pm — before schools let out — and stay until the Kings Plaza closes, he said.

But locals pointed out that the increased police security takes officers off the street and taxpayers will be paying for it rather than Macerich.

"If there's two cops who are not walking the beat, that is very problematic for this community," said Bergen Beach Civic Association president Michael Benjamin.

Pott countered the mall deserves some police presence as well.

"We're taxpayers too, and we pay a lot of taxes," he said.

Councilman Alan Maisel (D-Canarsie) agreed with Pott, pointing out that the mall and its shops are among the borough's top sources of tax revenue.

"They're entitled to the police, but, internally, they have to do a better job of increasing security," said Maisel, who also repeated a call for Kings Plaza to pay off-duty cops to provide security.

Some residents maintained the mall is unsafe, but others acknowledged Macerich's attempts to improve security and called for more communication to reassure the public.

"This is an urban area, and we realize we're not living in Lollypop Land this is Brooklyn," said resident Donna Cafiero. "But we need to know there is a partnership between the mall and the community."



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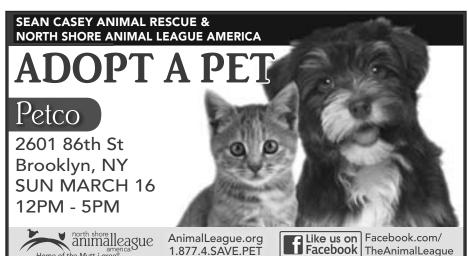


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Dr. Rehman has worked since 1973 at the Brooklyn Medical Center and is now the Senior Attending Physician for the Department of Internal Medicine. He also

serves as President of the professional staff and chairman of the medical board.

Dr. Rehman's humanitarianism is global. After the 2005 Pakistan earthquake, he worked to raise funds for victims. He personally traveled to the affected area, helping to build shelters for the victims and partnering with a local self-help group. Dr. Rehman also serves as the director of religious affairs and chairman of the founding committee for the Masjid Al-Noor Mosque in Concord.

In 2013, Dr. Rehman received the Best DoctorAward as well as The Humanitarian Award both by the Medical Society of the County of Kings.

In addition to his professional life and community service, Dr. Rehman is an author of five published books in his native language, Irdu. These works reflect his love of humanity, nature and

"To me, my soul is the essence of my being and I like to nurture it and be true to it." he said. "This gives me satisfaction and happiness."

Dr. Rehman is part of countless medical groups. He is a delegate of the American Medical Association (Medical Staff section), on the Medical Society of the State of New York, a life member of the American College of Physicians and on the Finance Committee (Island Peer Review Organization). He is also a part of several community organizations. Dr. Rehman is on the board of directors of the Rotary Club of Staten Island, a board member of the Staten Island YMCA and the editor/founder of the Medical Staff Journal for Brooklyn Hospital Center.

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GLEE!: (Above) Midwood High School's team performed "The Reunion of the Forgotten" – a song about an undead high school reunion. (Center) Edward R. Murrow High School performs their riff on Harry Potter: "Wizards of MurrowWarts." (Right) Madison High School's team sings "Don't Stop Believing" for Sings!, held at Murrow High School on March 8.

Photos by Steve Solomonson





Southern Brooklyn high schools 'Sing!'

BY MAX JAEGER

Performers from three Southern Brooklyn high schools reprised a borough tradition.

Students attending the schools — Edward R. Murrow on Avenue L, James Madison on Bedford Avenue, and Fillmore Avenue's Marine Park — competed in the first multi-school Sing! competition in decades, going head-to-head-to-head for bragging rights and to raise money for the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life. Murrow's team took top honors for its riff on Harry Pot-

ter called "MurrowWarts," but judges said all three acts hit the right notes.

"It was a very difficult decision," said District 22 Superintendant Rhonda Farkas, one of the judges. "I had to make a rough draft before handing in my final scores. Each school had a remarkable talent — the acting, the singing, playing in the band."

Students produce all aspects of the show—including choreography, song-writing, and live accompaniment, said Lisa Willner, a spokeswoman for Murrow.

"It really does bring together everyone from every creative group in the school," she said. "Every Sing-er has ownership over all this."

The competition raised more than \$20,000 for the Relay for Life — more than any single Relay fundraiser, she said.

Sing! has been a Southern Brooklyn institution since Midwood High School music teacher Bella Tillis created the competition in 1947

"It's like the pre-cursor to TV's 'Glee,'" said Relay

for Life organizer Joe Gillette.

In the past, schools would compete against each other for bragging rights. More recently, the competitions pitted grades within the same school against one another. For the fund-raiser, organizers wanted to bring Sing! back to its heyday and stoke inter-school competition, Gillette said.

"We thought: 'Wouldn't it be a great idea to get the winners from each of the schools together to face-off like they did in the '60s?" he said.



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Russian beauty queen reigns in Brighton Beach

Kira Kazantsev is Miss NYC 2014 and the first Russian-speaker to earn the title. She's an aspiring lawyer and women's advocate, too. When she dropped in on Brooklyn's "Little Odessa," we took a moment to chat with Kazantsev about Russian culture in the city, her escape from domestic violence, and some literary recommendations.

Max Jeager: You were born in the U.S. but speak fluent Russian. How has that affected your ability to connect with Russian culture?

Kira Kazantsev: Speaking fluent Russian has allowed me to connect to the Russian-speaking culture, especially through the large Russian speaking communities in the US. I attended Russian school, Russian camp, and have always been involved with the Russian-speaking community, which in turn has allowed me to connect with the Russian-speaking culture. Now I am very proud to partner with the Be Proud Foundation and look forward to continuing my work in the Russian-speaking commu-

MJ: You live in Manhattan. Do you spend a lot of time in Brighton Beach and other Russian enclaves?

KK: Over the five years that I have lived here, I've spent a lot of time in Brooklyn, and I always enjoy spending time in the Russian-speaking community. It's like a home away from home, as my family is back in California.

MJ: People are crazy about brunch in Brooklyn. Is there a Russian equivalent? Where's the best place to have a Russian brunch?

KK: I LOVE Russianstyle brunch, this is something I like to do at home, though.

MJ: You're applying for law school. Have you heard back? What area of law do you plan to pursue?

KK: I haven't heard back, but I plan on pursuing



RUSSIAN DOLL: California-born Kira Kazantsev is the first Miss New York City to speak both English and Russian.

Photo by Steve Solomonson

either international law or civil liberties — especially for women.

MJ: You were a victim of domestic violence. How did you get out of that situ-

KK: Talking about it, getting help, leaning on my family, removing myself from the situation — all of these are important steps to being able to leave your aggressor.

MJ: Your talent is vocal performance, what do you like to sing?

KK: I love to sing songs that have a jazz or folk feel-

ing to them.

MJ: Have you spent time in Russia?

KK: I have been there several times. All my grandparents live there, and I am looking forward to traveling to Moscow this coming April.

MJ: Many associate Russia with a rich literary heritage. Do you read novels in Russian? What was the last title you really enjoyed?

KK: I have read many Russian novels, and the last title I enjoyed was Pushkin's "Onegin." I'm actually going to see the theater version of the story in Moscow in April. — Max Jaeger

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BUTT IS IT ART?: (Above) Cakes were flattened within an inch of their lives on Friday at the Trestle Gallery in Gowanus. Arcadia Hartung and Nicholas Bunch (center) were not afraid to get their butts dirty at the Trestle Gallery's "Cake Sit" (right).

Photos by Stefano Giovannini





Artist says 'Let them seat cake!'

BY MEGAN RIESZ

They had their cake and sat on it. too.

A performance artist hosted a so-called "Cake Sit" at a Gowanus art gallery on March 7. Participants arrived with pastries in tow and promptly flattened them with their backsides. The artist who masterminded the event said those who voluntarily made a mess of their pants were

in good company.

"The cake sitters ate cake in a flamboyant manner, joining the likes of Marie Antoinette, Tina Turner, and Beyonce with reckless courage," artist Martha Burgess said, the latter two names referencing Jay Z's controversial invocation, in his verse on Beyonce's hit single "Drunk in Love," of a scene of abusive cake-smushing by Ike

Turner's character in the Tina Turner biopic "What's Love Got to Do With It."

Unmentioned but no doubt on at least one reporter's mind was Sparky Lyle, the legendary Yankee relief pitcher famous for his locker room habit of sitting on birthday cakes while nude.

The cake-destroying extravaganza was part of Burgess' larger, ongo-

ing Trestle Gallery exhibit "Performing Audience," which is supposed to break down the walls between audience, institution, and art, according to Burgess.

For the sit-in, Burgess constructed a cardboard bench inspired by minimalist artist Donald Judd and watched as about 17 cake lovers, or haters, squashed the

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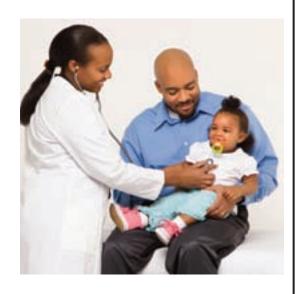
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BY CAMILLE SPERRAZZA

Like people, pets need annual check-ups.

Bring your cherished pooch to Mill Basin Veterinary Clinic, a new facility that opened on Jan. 1.

The establishment is owned by partners Dr. Amy Lipnicki and Dr. Peter Montella. It is a satellite clinic of Marine Park Veterinary Group. Dr. Lipnicki is the doctor in charge of this office.

Here, your pet will receive routine veterinary care such as vaccines, and can also be treated for conditions such as thyroid disease and diabetes. Interestingly, these diseases are quite common in pets, says Dr. Lipnicki, and just as with humans, some pets are more pre-disposed to getting them than others. Being overweight is one such commonality, so being a fat cat may mean developing diabetes. Treatment can include special diets as well as insulin shots. It is impor-



(Above) Dr. Amy Lipnicki with Max the Jack Russell terrior - one of her satisfied patients at Mill Basin Veterinary Clinic. (Right) Jennifer Multari, head technician and office manager, spends some time with Veta, a mutt adopted from Mexico.

tant to monitor for sugar in the blood, too.

pet has a thyroid issue? Look for a change in drinking hab-How do you know if your its, says the doctor. Pets may



urinate more frequently.

"If you have a cat, check to see if the litter box feels heavier," she says. Is there a change in appetite or weight? "It's pretty similar to symptoms that humans experience," she says.

Dr. Lipnicki has a particular interest in these endocrine diseases. She also likes to stress homeopathic types of treatment, encouraging "natural ways" to treat pets. For example, some pet owners don't want to over-vaccinate their animals. In cases such as these, "We can talk about pet lifestyles to see what can be recommended," she says.

Older animals should come in for blood workup.

The doctor will check kidney, liver, and sugar values.

There are two examination rooms, including one with a lift table that can accommodate large dogs. There is a consultation room where the doctor can review X-rays with owners.

Dr. Lipnicki attended Rutger's University, and then veterinary school at Ross University on the island of St. Kitts.

She finished her clinical year at the University of Illinois, and has worked in emergency veterinary care for a number of years.

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GET ON BOARD: North Brooklyn Boat Club members Dewey Thompson, Jens Rasmussen, Patterson Beckwith, Tanya Bley, and Scott Braun are excited about the \$73,729 in oil money coming their way for projects.

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Greenbacks will green oil-soaked Greenpoint

Big oil cash to make hipster 'hood less crude

BY DANIELLE FURFARO

They struck black gold.

Eighteen projects have been chosen to soak up the first \$395,135 of the \$19.5 million in oil money set aside to gussy up Greenpoint as part of a court settlement for the neighborhood that suffered through an oil spill that was three times the size of the Exxon Valdez disaster. The boat club that plies the waters of the fetid Newtown Creek won big, getting grants to cover three of its proposals, and for that the crew is thankful.

"We are certainly grateful," said Dewey Thompson, founder and harbor master of the North Brooklyn Boat Club. "Otherwise, we would have had to apply for grants that would be looking at projects all over the East Coast or all over the city."

The mariners scored a total of \$73,729 to buy two big canoes and run a boating education program, to build a laboratory and classroom out of one or more shipping containers, and to launch a campaign to keep cigarette butts out of the filthy creek, which is slated for a federal Superfund clean-up, and the East River. The anti-litter

initiative was an idea of a club member who is a regular on the water.

"He was sickened by how much of the trash in the creek was cigarette butts," said Thompson, suggesting that the phenomenon has to do with the city's war on indoor smoking. "The huge amount of people going outside to smoke has created a huge amount of trash in our waterways."

The projects and the other awardees beat out more than 80 other pitches for the first round of grants.

Other winning ideas included a green dock that the Newtown Creek Alliance wants to build near N. Henry Street, which garnered \$24,980, a bird-watching oasisis in McGolrick Park, for \$100 less, and a feasibility study for a rooftop garden atop Greenpoint Re-

formed Church, for \$5,000.

One of the church's pastors cannot wait to see if the lord's ceiling can support some raised beds.

"I'm very excited for what this means for the future of the Greenpoint community," said Rev. Ann Kansfield.

The fund, paid by British Petroleum, Chevron, and Exxon Mobil for the 30 million gallons of oil that seeped into the soil over the course of decades, still has \$19 million left to dispense. The state attorney general holds the purse strings but has delegated grant-making to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the North Brooklyn Development Corporation, a pro-business group. The winners of the bigger awards are set to be announced later this year and another set of small grants are slated for early



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Residents to city: Please, greenlight our stoplight!

Flashing yellow on Ocean Ave. makes neighborhood see red

BY MAX JAEGER

A freshman lawmaker is renewing a push to install traffic signals at a confusing Manhattan Beach intersection — despite the city's insistence the crossing does not need stoplights.

Councilman Chaim Deutsch confronted transportation commissioner Polly Trottenberg at a joint hearing of the Council's Transportation and Public Safety committees on Feb. 24, saying the city needs to install traffic signals at the intersection of Oriental Boulevard and Ocean Avenue, because the flashing yellow light there now only confuses drivers — and has led to crashes.

"Drivers have repeatedly complained that the flashing yellow signal at Oriental Boulevard and Ocean Avenue is more confusing than helpful," Deutsch said. "The existing blinking signal merely exacerbates an already hazardous environment for motorists and pedestrians alike."

Residents have been complaining for years about the light, which is near a popular playground. The intersection is already equipped for a full traffic signal, but the light is programed to function only as a flashing yellow.

"All the sensibility in the world says it should be a traffic signal," said Edmond Dweck, spokesman for the Manhattan Beach Neighborhood Association. "People assume the light is out of order, so they just slide through it."

The confusion is blamed in several fatalities at and around the intersection in recent years. A B49 bus struck and killed 4-year-old Evan Svirsky at the intersection in 2010.

The city has conducted traffic studies of the area in 2008, 2010, and 2012, but said the intersection did not meet the minimum criteria for a signal under federal regulations.

Still, Trottenberg said at the hearing that her depart-



TRICK OF THE LIGHT: Residents and lawmakers say a blinking light at the intersection of Oriental Boulevard and Ocean Avenue is confusing drivers and leading to accidents. Compounding safety concerns, the intersection is adjacent to a playground.

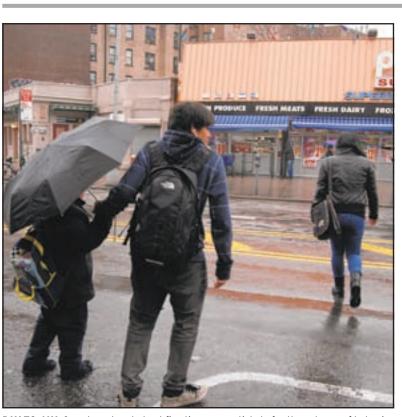
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ment would look into the problem.

"Yes the yellow flashing light is 'proceed with caution,' but obviously, if in a particular location people are confused by it, and it's not helping, then we should certainly take a look and

try and find a better solution," Trottenberg said.

The last time the community got the Department of Transportation to reconsider the intersection, however, after an initial hope of progress, the ultimate outcome was disappointing.



PAY TO JAY: Cops have handed out five times more tickets for these types of behavior so far this year than in the first two months of 2013.

Cops: Don't walk, seriously

BY DANIELLE FURFARO

Brooklyn cops are taking Mayor DeBlasio's pledge to make the roads safer to heart — by ticketing jaywalkers.

Police handed out 97 jaywalking tickets in the borough during the first two months of this year, which is nearly five times the amount they gave out during the same period in 2013. The crackdown on pedestrians who cross against the light comes as the mayor is pushing his so-called "Vision Zero" package of car-slowing measures, aimed at reducing traffic deaths to zero by 2024, and officers in Park Slope are ramping up reckless-driving enforcement. In Greenpoint, officers have been staking out an intersection on McGuiness Boulevard where 32-year-old pedestrian Nicole Detweiller was killed by drivers in December, the blog Greenpointers reported, only instead of ticketing motorists for failure to yield as

their counterparts in Park Slope have done, these cops reportedly targeted scofflaw walkers, which one resident says is ridiculous.

"It is the cars who are killing people, so why are the cops picking on the people who are walking?" asked Kristen Abate, who was strolling along McGuinness Boulevard on Monday. "Cops never focus on the drivers."

Detweiller died when she stepped off into the crosswalk at the corner of McGuinness and Nassau Avenue and was hit twice, first by the driver of a BMW car, then by the motorist behind the wheel of a box truck, according to cops.

At the time, Assemblyman Joe Lentol (D-Greenpoint) called for the installation of red-light cameras, speed cameras, and physical measures to slow drivers. But one road safety activist and political insider said any action to restore law and order to the mean streets of Brooklyn is welcome.

"I think it's a good level of police reaction," said John Beadle, a member of the Kings County Democratic Committee, explaining that the presence of cops at crosswalks will motivate both drivers and pedestrians to follow the rules. "It is a win-win that tickets are being written to jaywalkers to increase safety and it a potential to slow down the traffic and make everyone think a bit more."

Officers were also spotted staking out an intersection on Downtown's Jay Street on March 7.

The tickets have not halted the automotive carnage just yet. On Sunday, 47-year-old Jorge Rios died when he drove his 2001 Suzuki motorcycle into the side of a 2007 Lexus sedan, according to police

An NYPD spokeswoman declined to say why the department has begun the borough-wide ticketing blitz.

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Swans don't ruffle Assemblyman Cymbrowitz

To the editor,

Good for the swans, good for swan crusader Assemblyman Steven Cymbrowitz (D–Sheepshead Bay), and good for us for having an assemblyman who cares.

The name "Department of Environmental Conservation" sounds so protective, but what a double-edged sword it becomes when it is training its gun-sights on these creator-beautified, aquatic birds with a so-called management plan calling for their extermination by 2025.

Sounds like a final solution, with shades of Nazi genocidal subterfuge. Sure, the agency justifies its plan by "expert" assessment of the damage to the habitat of native ducks and geese.

Come on! This is putting out a contract on the swans. I guess the pesky goosecreatures flanking the swans in the water risking an occasional peck to compete for crumb handouts off the docks is evidence of their inability to co-exist?

That's it. The ducks are flanking them in protest.

How about picking on a more formidable target, say, the fossil-fuel-exuding fishing and party boats that moor at the piers? Can't we make them electric or solar-powered at an affordable boarding cost?

And, what of the thriving invisible water rat population? Anyone measuring their environmental negatives? The more garbage they eat, the more disease spreads. Where's the pied piper to draw them from the waterfronts and dumpsters into the oncoming traffic or A.S.P.C.A. death camp? No, this fishing hamlet ain't Hamelin. And leave our seagulls alone too.

J. J. Lauria

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A-plus for Fontbonne

To the editor.

I applaud Principal Mary Ann Spicijaric of Fontbonne Hall Academy for having the vision and determination to make science, technology, engineering, and mathematics education a priority in her school.

As an educator and community education advocate in Coney Island, it's won-

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derful to see other educators thinking outside of the box and moving towards the career and technical education model for education for their schools.

This can benefit students directly by providing earning advantages before and after graduation. It can benefit them indirectly by increasing engagement, retention, and persistence, and by directing them to post-secondary education and pursuit of lifelong learning.

It's also important to point out that students considered "at risk" or "disadvantaged" and students with disabilities have greater success when they are enrolled in technology education, tech prep, school-to-career, and other career and technical education programs.

Let's talk about creating a unique pathway to the career and technical education model for southern Brooklyn schools that will involve students from elementary, middle, high school, and college levels of education.

This recipe for education will prepare our students for the 21st century workforce. Isn't that what education is supposed to be about? **Scott Krivitsky**

The writer is a teacher at PS 188 in Coney Island.

Snow woe

To the editor,

Councilman David Greenfield (D–Midwood) is to be commended for introducing legislation that would require the city to shovel sidewalks ignored by property owners and charge them for it.

However what happens when people fall in the gutter? I was unfortunate enough to have slipped into a gutter right by my house, and could have been run over by a car.

Also, I heard a report that stated there was more snow in North Dakota, Minnesota, and Colorado, and yet people there used more automobiles but encountered fewer potholes than our city.

Perhaps the City Council should conduct a study — maybe there is something superior to the ice melt we New Yorkers use.

Elliot Abosh
Brighton Beach

Pol payola

To the editor,

While Council Speaker Melissa Mark Viverito supports Mayor DeBlasio's tale of two cities and concerns about the middle class facing an affordability crises attempting to make ends meet living in the Big Apple, her loyal councilmembers have no problems making ends meet.

Never shy around a camera or microphone, Speaker Viverito recently quietly issued checks for 50 percent of each councilmembers' awarded lulus of between \$4,000 to \$28,000 per year. This supplements a \$112,000 base salary to her loyal members for chairing a committee or subcommittee. The base salary plus lulu is three times what an average constituent earns for a job officially classified as part time.

Hard-working municipal civil servant employees, most ordinary middle class New Yorkers, and neighborhood residents would never see such treats from their respective employers.

Larry Penner Great Neck, N.Y.

Poli-diss-ians

To the editor.

In politics, the message is not always the meat or the substance. Instead it is often public relations, good-will, spin-meister tour of sorts to placate the electorate by telling them things they want to hear, and not necessarily the things they need to hear.

This is solely an effort to get their votes while it diverts attention from the real intent, platforms and allegiances of election candidates. In politics, the platform, the substance of the policies presented is what matters.

The problem is how do we know who is being honest, or who is simply playing the electorate?

The media kept playing a statement by Sen. Rand Paul (R–Ky.) in which he was saying that the GOP's message should be inclusive and happy. No, I'm sorry. It is the GOP's true platforms and policies, and not their messaging, that should be inclusive, honest, happy, thoughtful, and generous toward the concerns and needs of their electorate. **Barry Brothers**

Homecrest

UFT 'disgrace'

To the editor,

The United Federation of Teachers has reportedly refused to go along with state Sen. Jeff Klein's bill of divesting from those who would boycott Israel. This is a disgrace. All teachers, whether active or retired, must answer to this by divesting from giving to the Committee on Political Education each year.

Apparently, our leadership has been taken over by ultra-lefty lunatics, made up of self-deprecating Jewish people.

Why doesn't the union at least mind its own business? Sure, its members will do anything not to discuss their fail-

They say they oppose the Klein proposal, as it is a freedom of speech issue. What are they talking about? The Palestinians and their cohorts would love to silent Israel for good.

Am Yisroel Chai — the nation of Israel lives! Ed Greenspan
Sheepshead Bay

DC clowns

To the editor,

I am not someone who typically believes in the government stepping in to bail the American people and their businesses out whenever there is a problem, but I think they could and should help.

Because of attrition and other reasons, there is a clown shortage in this country and the show must go on. Congress is only in session about one third of the year. With their experience and free time, our representatives could step in and fill some of the positions needed to keep what is now the second greatest show on earth going — the greatest show on earth has been the show in Washington, D.C.

The clowns there must do this for the greater good. Please Mr. President, if we ever needed an executive order, now is the time.

Maureen Parker
Sheepshead Bay

Making a splash

To the editor,

I am really happy to hear that the firm that runs Luna Park is thinking of bringing a waterpark to Coney Island ("Company seeks to bring splish-splashing fun to former Thunderbolt parcel," online March 11).

It will help to restore the People's Playground to its heyday as one of the nation's premier recreation spots.

I spent many summers at Coney Island growing up, and it saddened me to see it fall apart a few years back and become a shadow of its former self.

Kudos to Zamperla for investing in the area's future, and realizing that Brooklyn is indeed the garden spot of the world. I can't wait to go on one of the planned rides with my grandkids — if my rickety bones are up to it!

It's great news and I, for one, am looking forward to it immensely.

M. Burton Flatbush

Stan's angrier than Carmine!

here are situations when we get angry and most of us are much too polite to speak out. For me it stops now. No more Mr. Nice Guy. There are a few things that really bug me and if you agree, let me hear from you.

I just received a phone call from a company I do business with.

"Please hold for the next available customer care advocate."

That is *chutzpah*. They called *me* and had me holding for 15 minutes before I ran out of patience and hung up.

I don't like restaurants that don't honor their reservations. I hate it when the hostess tells me that my table will be ready in 15 minutes. Is that a real 15 minutes, or just a figure of speech to pacify me? Then she suggests I wait at the bar. No, my dear. I don't drink. I want to eat. That's why I'm here.

I dislike restaurants that add the 20 percent tip and then leave an empty line marked "Tip." I fell for that once — but never again.

And how about those parents that bring their toddlers to the restaurant and permit the youngsters to run around the floor while the servers with armloads of dishes have to dance and dodge around them. That's chutzpah leading to some very unnecessary lawsuits.

And on the subject of kids, how do you feel about the little guy that's sitting behind you on an airplane or in the movies kicking your seat? That's not as bad as the inconsiderate mother who says, "If you don't like it, why don't you just change your seat?"

Back to restaurants — how do you feel about the man at the far end of the premises shouting into his cellphone so loud that everyone in the eatery hears every word he is saying?

Some time ago, Su-



IT'S ONLY My OPINION

Stanley P. Gershbein

zanne M. sent me some of her favorite gripes. This is one that really stands out. "Dog owners are doing the right thing by cleaning up after their dogs, but there's nowhere to put the doggie bags!" Hey Suz — my guess is that they want you to take the bags home with

Another reader was angry at people who leave their clothing in washers and dryers for a long time when other customers want to use the machines.

What do you think of companies like BJ's that offer a free 60-day membership to induce you to join, but give nothing to loyal customers who have been with them for years? It's more than just a bit irritating. It's downright insulting!

I don't particularly care for people who have very little tolerance for the mentally challenged. There's the reader who wrote to me and was disgusting when he referred to them as "retards" and, of course, Bill Maher, of HBO, who thinks of them the same as pet dogs. I am StanGershbein@Bellsouth.net shouting "Shame on them!" Now,

let's hear from you!

We miss you already, Ed Eisenberg

ear the thunderclap? That's Brooklyn mourning the passing of Ed Eisenberg.

The longtime Manhattan Beach activist, who died on March 1 at the age of 79, lived and breathed Brooklyn. Ed belonged to just

about every local group in the community, and he traipsed its streets as if he owned the joint.

Chances are that you ran into Ed if you walked along Sheepshead Bay Road, Emmons Avenue, or Oriental Boulevard, his lanky frame, smiling eyes and unmistakable gait — part amble, part clop, but all swashbuckle — a march to his own beat.

My memories of Ed go back to the first week I started working at the Courier, 25 years ago. I was having a fag outside our former office on Sheepshead Bay Road, when he walked up to me, whisked off a joke, and waltzed away as if on a mission, which I would come to learn he was usually on.

The gag's gist escapes me now, but I am certain that like most of the other elbow-ticklers Ed regaled me in the same spot over the decades, it began with, "There was this rabbi who..."

When I finally discovered that the disarming gent who ignited my smoke



A BRITISHER'S VIEW

Shavana Abruzzo

breaks was renegade grassroots gladiator Ed Eisenberg, it confirmed my belief that the humblest folk are usually the most impressive.

Ed was the best of all worlds — opinionated, committed to advancing a clean community, not above a tussle, and man enough to wear bunny ears to a public Chinese "Year of the Rabbit" party.

"I think it's stupid!" he hollered in 2009, when the Manhattan Beach Community Group wanted to turn a local bathhouse into a high-tech solar electric station.

"You gotta be a genius to throw your garbage out!" he roared in 2008, when the city surfaced with clumsy new rules to dispose of household trash.

"It was a tummy bump heard round Manhattan Beach," he insisted in 2011, after coming belly-to-belly with a member of a rival group at a neighborhood safety meeting.

My own favorite Ed moment happened in the mid-1990s at Gracie Man-

sion during a community press breakfast with thenmayor Rudy Giuliani on the day news broke of Hizzoner's alleged affair with a staffer.

Rudy was clearly dazed by the day's distressing headlines, including ours,

which featured a chummy photo of the pair and screamed, "Whaddaya think?" I was more interested in why Rudy offered a \$10,000 reward for the killer of Florida-based designer Gianni Versace, but none for Gothamites who were killed.

"Do you think murdered New Yorkers are chopped liver, sir?" I inquired, upending Rudy who dumped his angst on me like a bowel movement after a long constipation.

Just when I thought I should have listened to my mum and become a florist, soft laughter filtered in from the rear like sunlight through a storm—it was Ed having a chuckle.

"Well done, kiddo," he later told me outside, giving me the courage to continue my own clog dance through the Fourth Estate.

Hear the applause? That's him being installed into the biggest civic group of all. Go get 'em, Ed.

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Jo says to kick those bratty kids' butts

ast week, a New Jersey teen sued her parents, demanding they support her and pay for her college tuition, even after she walked out of their home because she didn't want to follow their rules and regulations.

The lawsuit brought against her parents cited allegations of abuse, and that her parents were somehow negligent in their parenting. She was, of course according to the lawsuit, innocent as fresh fallen snow, and did not deserve the treatment she received.

It didn't matter that school records showed she was suspended, she is alleged to have come home drunk on several occasions, and may have blatantly disobeyed her parents. The teen was also fortunate enough to be fronted by the father of a friend who has lots of money to pay for her attorney's fees and keep her living the lifestyle her bad parents had provided for all those 17 years, all without the benefit of rules and regulations.

How nice of him to aid and abet her.

All this cost the taxpayers money to bring it to court, and takes up valuable court time.

The matter of college tuition has yet to be determined. This undoubtedly has caused her parents immea-



NOT FOR NUTHIN'

Joanna DelBuono

surable sorrow.

The photo in the paper showed the teen smirking.

This week the headlines trumpeted the story of the 11-year old who didn't want to clean his dog's poop, had a tantrum, and ran away for several days riding the subways around the city. Fortunately he was found safe and sound by a decent person and was thankfully reunited with his very relieved mother.

The photo in the paper showed the

runaway smirking.

His actions not only caused his mom and step-dad undue stress and immeasurable worry, but also the cost of police who searched for him.

Neither child looks to be lacking. Both are well-dressed and well-nourished. The boy was very lucky that he was found by a good Samaritan and not someone who would do him harm. The teen is very lucky her friend's dad has the money and means to keep her comfy and cosy in his home.

So what gives? I ask you all, what have we done as parents to create this generation of spoiled, self-entitled, inconsiderate, and bratty offspring?

So many have no respect for authority—the schools, the streets, and even the mall are overrun by bully teens riding roughshod over the community—which is open game.

Not for NuthinTM, but we really have to do something to reverse this trend of anarchy. After all, these turbulent teen and tween terrors will someday be responsible for running this country. And how much worse off will we all be when it is their turn to take the reins? We really need to wipe the smirks off their faces with a good dose of comeuppance. I really don't think a swift kick in the butt is uncalled for. Do you?

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Charter school speed bump

Tn his first 100 days in office, Mayor DeBlasio Lhas quickly and successfully started to push much of his progressive agenda in education, housing, and sick leave.

He also had to contend with an unusually large amount of snow, and there have been some hiccups plowing certain neighborhoods and deciding whether to cancel school on one tough snow day.

But in the past few weeks, DeBlasio has faced his most serious political challenge: how to deal with the expanding charter school movement and what to do with its incredibly hard-charging leader, Eva Moskowitz.

The mayor and Moskowitz have a history together: they were colleagues in the Council a decade ago and by most accounts they did not see eye to eye on many things, particularly educa-



SPIN CYCLE

Tom Allon

tion issues. When DeBlasio ran for speaker in 2005. Moskowitz did not support him.

When DeBlasio was elected public advocate, Moskowitz took on the public education by founding a large charter school network, Success Academy. She has opened more than 20 schools around the city, in mostly low-income neighborhoods, and according to school assessment exams, most of her students are thriving compared to those in regular public schools.

Moskowitz and her schools were treated extremely well by former Schools Chancellors Joel Klein and Dennis Walcott, and she was able to expand quite quickly. The tabloid newspapers have made her the public face of the charter movement, and their editorials lavish praise on her, and charter schools in general, quite frequently.

So, when the mayor and Schools Chancellor Carmen Farina approved 15 of 18 charter schools planned by the previous administration for this Fall. Moskowitz

and the dailies pounced on the mayor and painted him as "anti-charter." There was a huge pro-charter rally staged in Albany and Gov. Cuomo made a rare appearance in support of charters and not-so-subtly upstaged the mayor's pre-k tax rally up the road.

One thing is certain: DeBlasio will have a wellfinanced, well-organized, and tenacious adversary if he tries to diminish the expanding charter school movement. And the evertenacious Moskowitz will use this issue as a platform and wedge as she positions herself as an insurgent mayoral candidate in 2017 against DeBlasio.

Tom Allon, president of City & State NY, was a Republican and Liberal Party-backed mayoral candidate in 2013 before he left to return to the private sector. Reach him at tallon@ cityandstateny.com.

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Robots put 'Tech' in MetroTech

Teen titans do 'bot battle at NYU-Poly competition

BY DANIELLE FURFARO

The battle of the bots hit Downtown last weekend.

Nearly 400 teenagers took part in the New York City First Tech Challenge Championship, Regional a robotics competition at NYU Polytechnic School of Engineering on Saturday, where the machines fought to perform everyday tasks harder, better, faster, and stronger than the rest. Youngsters who came out had a blast and said being able to form like Voltron was key to prepping for the well-oiled rumble.

"It was amazing," said 18-year-old Kim Rawlins, a senior at It Takes a Village Academy in Flatbush whose team built three prototypes and one final competition robot in six months. "You have to come together and you give different ideas and come together for one big idea. It teaches you how to work as a team."

The teens were tasked with making their machines pick up blocks and balance them on scales, climb to the top of a bridge, and perform a pull-up for extra points.



A SHARP EYE: Team Titanium Tigers from Francis Lewis High School looks over its robot. Photo by Tyrone Z. McCants

Simple as these procedures may sound, not just any spring robot-chicken can pull them off, according to an organizer.

"If you want to enter these fields, you need to be prepared, and the bars are pretty high," said Ben Esner, director of the Center for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Education at NYU-Poly.

The adults on hand said they were impressed with the kids' creations.

"The students are way ahead of where I was at that age," said James Cox, who is getting his master's degree in mechanical engineering at NYU-Poly and mentored a team.

Eight of the 36 competing teams advanced to the national finals, which will take place in Pennsylvania in April. Of the winning teams, four were all-girl teams despite the fact that only one in 10 of the competitors were young ladies.

Rawlins, who is from Guyana, said she would like to introduce robot-building completions to her country.

"It helps you to think outside of the box," she said.

Cake sit

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treats with reckless abandon.

"It was so fun — we had a really enthusiastic response," gallery manager Mary Negro said. The artist said she has always enjoyed doing unconventional things with food, especially because she was warned not to play with it as a kid.

If there is symbolism in the cake sit, it can be seen in the smashed sweets, Burgess said "It may be like reading tea leaves," she said.

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Carmine salutes Anne Marie Lettieri-Baker!

I'm madder than Oscar the Grouch when he realized that the award they give out for those movies has nothing to do with him over the fact that I didn't have time to tell you last week about BWECC!'s Educator of the Year because my editor has me on some confounded word count.

Well, let me tell you this! You can't keep the Big Screecher down. And I'm going to tell you what I gotta say no matter how many words—or weeks—it takes me.

Speaking of Sesame Street, that magnificent learning tool that taught kids to read, count, and think while we were busy making giant submarine sandwiches for lunch, let me now tell you about the wonderful educators that we'll be spotlighting at our 53rd annual gala on March 19 at the fabulous El Caribe in Mill Basin.

The nominee (and winner) of educator of the year

bassie get in touch!



BIG SCREECHER

goes to Ann Marie Lettieri-Baker.

Carmine Santa Maria

And now, I will cut and paste her bio, thus saving me the precious time I need to finish making my latest submarine sandwich.

Ann Marie began her

public school teaching career in District 2 in the Greenwich Village section of Manhattan, or as we like to call it, outer-Brooklyn. She taught on both the upper as well as on the lower elementary school grade levels.

While teaching, Ann Marie also served as a District 2 New Standards Fellow and her students' work was featured as exemplars in both the National as well as in the New York City New Standards performance outcome guides.

In 1996, Ann Marie was asked by the then District 2 Superintendent, Anthony J. Alvarado, to write a proposal to create and open a Middle School academy that would service the students from Greenwich Village. In September 1997, Ann Marie opened the Greenwich Village Middle (MS 896), of which she was co-director.

Toward the end of that

school year, Ann Marie was approached by the super-intendent of District 15 in Brooklyn to open a Middle School Academy for him, as he was in the process of replicating the middle school academy model begun in District 2 and, in September 1998, she opened the Journalism School (MS 463), of which she was director.

Mid-way through that school vear. Ann Marie was once again approached by the District 15 superintendent, but, this time, to take over a failing elementary school. In April, 1999, Ann Marie took over Public School 32 in Carroll Gardens, Brooklyn. PS 32 was a New York State Corrective Action School for persistently low performance in both English language arts and mathematics and was on the verge of closure. Under Ann Marie's leadership, the school came off the Corrective Action list

and was a school within good standing after only three years. Further, Ann Marie opened the first New York City Autism Spectrum Disorders Program at PS 32, which provided students with autism a non-District 75, inclusive elementary school education in a regular, neighborhood public school. This program has been replicated in more than 20 schools city-wide.

In 2007, Ann Marie accepted a position with the New York City Department of Education's Office of Accountability as a senior achievement facilitator. She served in this position until 2009. At this time, she accepted an assignment as interim acting superintendent of Community School District 21.

In 2010, Ann Marie joined Neal Opromalla, network leader of Children First Network 409, as his deputy network leader and continues to proudly support 36 school leaders and their communities in this capacity. Ann Marie considers this experience the highlight of her career, as it is and has been an opportunity for professional growth and leadership as well as an opportunity to work alongside an educational visionary, Neal Opromalla, 36 amazing school leaders and an exceptional team!

Raised in Brooklyn, Ann Marie is a product of the New York City parochial school system. She received her undergraduate degree in early childhood and elementary education from New York University; her first master's degree in the psychological foundations of reading from New York University and her second master's degree is school leadership from City College.

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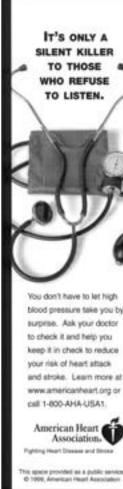


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Soldiers of the Michigan Army National Guard's 1st Battalion, 119th Field Artillery Regiment, with support from soldiers with B Company, 1st Battalion, 147th Aviation Regiment and 3rd Battalion, 238th Aviation Regiment, successfully conducted cold weather training at Camp Grayling Joint Military Training Center, Mich.

The two-day mission, challenged by extreme sub-zero temperatures, included the slingloading and live fire of 12 M-777 155mm howitzers. The weapons were slingloaded underneath CH-47 Chinook helicopters and transported to their firing positions while the gun crews were then transported to the firing point in UH-60 Blackhawk helicopters.

"When we planned for this, we planned for 20 to 30 degree temps," said Army Lt. Col. Scott Meyers, commander of 1st Bn, 119th FA Regt. "Our first day up here, it was 30 degrees below zero so we ended up doing more arctic-type training."

Early morning day one, the low temperatures took their toll on equipment, but the mission pressed on.

"The vehicles and equipment — it's been hard on them," said Meyers. "We've learned what works in 30 below and what does not."

With the frigid temperatures, machinery that was expected to work, didn't.

"We went through a couple dozen batteries for vehicles," said Meyers. "Getting them to start in the morning was very difficult and tires were going flat. We had two 2,500 gallon diesel tankers completely gel up and freeze so we had to bring them into a warming bay so we could draw the fuel the next day."

The soldiers of the battalion pressed on despite the arctic conditions.

"They've overcome and, today, all vehicles are running," said Meyers. "Mechanics were up until 2300, 11 pm, last night fixing everything and it's working today so there's a

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Defense talks Russia

Is this the Cold War Part II? Washington weighs options

HARBOR WATCH

The Defense Department is working to support the coordinated U.S. response to Russia's recent aggression toward Ukraine, and to help Ukraine and U.S. allies and partners in the region, DOD and administration officials said.

The United States is focusing diplomatic and economic pressure on Russia to de-escalate the crisis in Ukraine, and senior administration and defense officials continue to engage with their Russian counterparts.

Secretary of State John F. Kerry is meeting with Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov today, for example, and this week the United States announced a \$1 billion package of economic assistance to Ukraine, and the European Union announced a \$15 billion assistance package.

President Barack Obama issued an executive order that allows the administration to initiate financial sanctions against Russian and Ukrainian individuals and entities that steal assets, engage in destabilizing activities, or take flight unlawfully. The administration also is imposing visa restrictions on those responsible for violating Ukraine's sovereignty and territorial integrity.

The Defense Department is making substantial contributions to U.S. and international efforts in support of Ukraine. Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel and Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Army Gen. Martin E. Dempsey summarized the department's activities in advance of their testimony



ON DEFENSE: Secretary of Defense Chuck Hagel, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff General Martin Dempsey, and Department of Defense Comptroller Robert Hale testify before the House Armed Service Committee on March 6.

before the House Armed Services Committee on the president's fiscal year 2015 defense budget request.

Hagel said he strongly supports the administration's efforts, including the steps Obama has taken to apply diplomatic and economic pressure on Russia, and the continued collaboration with European partners.

"Earlier this week, I directed the Department of Defense to suspend all military-to-military engagements and exercises with Russia. And yesterday, I announced a series of steps [the department] will take to reinforce allies in Central and Eastern Europe during this crisis," Hagel told the panel.

The steps include increasing joint training through the DOD aviation detachment in Poland, made up of airmen from the 31st

Fighter Wing who train and work with their Polish partners at Lask Air Base in central Poland.

"I was advised this morning that [the partnership at Lask] continues to move forward," the secretary said, adding that the department also will augment its participation in NATO's Baltic air policing mission. He told the House members that six F-15s have arrived in Lithuania within the past 24 hours.

In his remarks, Dempsey said he is deeply engaged in DOD support of the diplomatic approach to resolving Ukraine's crisis.

"I'm engaged with our NATO allies. I've spoken both yesterday and today with my Russian counterpart, Gen. Valery Gerasimov, and will continue to maintain that line of communication," Dempsey told the panel.

On a White House background teleconference with reporters, senior administration officials discussed details of the new visa restrictions and the executive order released today in support of Ukraine.

"Since the Russian intervention in Ukraine, you have seen us work on several lines of effort to mobilize international unity, to condemn the Russian intervention, to impose cost on Russia for debt interventions so they are isolated politically and economically [and] to provide additional support for the government in Kiev," a senior administration official said.

The best way to make sure the rights of Ukrainians and ethnic Russians are being protected is to use international monitoring, he said

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Navy wants recruits!

Recruiting Commander visited staffers at Texas center

HARBOR WATCH

Mission accomplishment and sailors' welfare were the themes stressed by Rear Adm. Annie B. Andrews, commander, Navy Recruiting Command, who visited Navy Recruiting District San Antonio on Feb. 25 and 26.

Andrews was accompanied by Master Chief Navy Counselor Jimmie A. Holt, Jr., NRC's national chief recruiter, and John Curry, NRC's deputy for Logistics.

After visiting recruiters and staff of NRD Dallas, Andrews met with recruiters of Navy Recruiting Stations (NRS) Waco, Temple and North Austin, Feb. 25.

On Feb. 26, she received a briefing at NRD head-quarters by Cmdr. Mike Briggs, executive officer, extended recognition to annual award winners, toured offices and greeted Sailors and support personnel. Additionally, the NRC team visited NRS's Hollywood Park and Ingram.

Throughout her visit, Andrews thanked the sailors



THEY WANT YOU!: Rear Adm. Annie Andrews speaks with recruiters and support personnel from Navy Recruiting District San Antonio during visit to San Antonio-Fort Sam Houstan.

Burrell Parmer

and support staff for their continuing efforts to recruit the best and brightest men and women that South Texas has to offer. She also wanted to know what her headquarters can do to assist and improve the process.

During her visit to NRS Broadway, Andrews had the opportunity to address four future sailors.

"While at boot camp you are going to meet people from all different walks of life, all with varied backgrounds, but they all joined to be part of something special and greater," said Andrews. "It doesn't matter which program you go into; you always have to remember that you are always a U.S. sailor first."

Russia

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"A monitoring team from the [Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe] has arrived in Ukraine [and] moved out to different parts of the country. The team has an important set of experiences and capabilities to ensure that basic rights are being protected. We believe that that monitoring mission should expand into Crimea and can be the basis for a way of deescalating the crisis," the official added.

Representing broad international unity, the North Atlantic Council, European allies and G-7 countries all have condemned Russia's aggression, he added, and the United States has suspended preparatory meetings for the G-8 in Sochi, Russia.

The United States also has cancelled discussions associated with deepening trade and commercial ties with Russia, the official noted, "and with today's actions we take an additional step to impose costs on Russia and those who are

responsible for violating Ukraine's sovereignty and territorial integrity."

The executive order gives the United States flexibility to target individuals and entities responsible for violating international law and Ukrainian sovereignty, the official said.

"We are also imposing certain visa restrictions that further impose a cost on individuals responsible for the violation of Ukraine's sovereignty and territorial integrity," the official said.

The senior administra-

tion official added, "There are individuals who have had their visas pulled or will be banned from visas, and those individuals — who I won't give names or numbers — do include Russians and Ukrainians."

Such actions should send a strong message that the United States and its allies intend to impose costs on Russia for the Ukrainian intervention, the official added, and they give the United States flexibility to respond based on Russia's actions, whether positive or negative.

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Pfc. Leonard Kravitz, Korean War soldier hero.

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Soldiers honored posthumously

HARBOR WATCH

Nine soldiers who served in the Korean War will be posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor during a March 18 ceremony at the White House, Master Sgt. Mike C. Pena, Sgt. Eduardo C. Gomez., Cpl. Joe R. Baldonado, Pfc. Leonard M. Kravitz, Master Sgt. Juan E. Negron, Pvt. Demensio Rivera, Sgt. Jack Weinstein, Sgt. Victor H. Espinoza, and Pvt. Miguel A. Vera.

On June 25, 1950, North Korean troops invaded the South, marking the start of the Korean War. The United States, along with the U.N. Nations, sent as many troops to the beleaguered defenders as they could muster, which wasn't as many as they would have liked since they had demobilized in the aftermath of World War II.

The Korean War was sometimes called the "Forgotten War," but these and other heroes would never be forgotten by those who served with them.

The U.S. Army will induct the Medal of Honor recipients into the Pentagon's Hall of Heroes in a March 19 ceremony.

Cold

Continued from page 37 lot of motivation to make this weekend work."

Despite the cold weather, members of the unit found the challenges helped them gel a bit more in accomplishing their mission.

"It was definitely cold, but it was a lot of fun and something new for the battalion," said Army 1st Lt. Adam Stephens, executive officer of Battery A, 1st Bn., 119th FA Regt. "Some-

times it's good to challenge yourself and overcoming adversity brings the unit together to achieve the mission."

Stephens served as liaison to the flight crews to ensure soldier safety and the landing times of the Blackhawk and Chinook helicopters.

"We had zero cold weather injuries," said Meyers. "Thirty below zero standing under 140 mile per hour winds underneath a Chinook that's lifting up a howitzer, that's certainly a challenge."

Photo by Yoni Levy



Dogs in designer wear dominate the runway at 'Fashion Week Brooklyn'

By Matthew Perlman

"Fashion Week Brooklyn" is going to the dogs!

The celebration of high fashion in the borough, which kicked off March 13, offers four days of runway walking in Sunset Park's Industry City. And some the show's biggest stars will be doing the walking on four legs.

"The boy dogs will be wearing tuxedos," said Anthony Rubio, a dog-signer extraordinaire, whose pup-pieces will be featured in a show on March 15. "The girl dogs will have turbans on. It's glamor and glitz with an Afro-centric feel to it."

Rubio's pup de resistance is a \$5,000 ballroom gown with a thousand Swarovski crystals - and a skirt that comes off, leaving behind a less ornate dog-harness.

"My designs incorporate elements from top fashion designers," Rubio said. "But they also have to be functional."

Rubio started creating designer dog duds 10 years ago, and has seen the canine fashion industry exploding since then.

"Now, when you see a pup without a coat on or something fancy, you think something's missing," said Rubio, who has a pair of twin chihuahuas named Bogie and Kimba, both of whom will be at the show in his designs. "It's happening all over the world."

A spokeswoman for Fashion Week Brooklyn said these dog designs bark to what the borough's couture convention is all about.

"Brooklyn has always been a trend setter," said media director Colleen Armstrong. "And Brooklyn has a lot of dogs and dog owners, so it makes sense."

But dogs will not be the only ones getting dolled up. The event will also feature about 20 other fashion designers - most of whom work with human models. The organizers say they want to call attention to the industry in Brooklyn, and to provide a more accessible alternative to couturiers

who could not make it in to Manhattan's Fashion Week shows.

"There's a need to support emerging designers," said Armstrong. And besides, she said, "Brooklyn is the 'it' place for all things trendy and fashionable."

Especially when it comes to dogs.

"Fashion Week Brooklyn" at Industry City (241 37th St. between Second and Third avenues in Sunset Park, www.fashionweekbrooklyn.com). Through March 16. \$35 per day.



AROUND TOWN

WHERE TO WET THE SHAMROCK

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with beer and corned beef at one of these Brooklyn bars

By Courier Staff

o green this March 17 — Kelly green, that is! All you really need to do to have a grand Saint Patrick's Day is to head down to your local boozer and order a few pints. But many of Brooklyn's finest Irish bars are offering something special on the big day (and the preceding weekend, as Saint Paddy's falls on a Monday this year) - live music, free corned beef and cabbage, and drink specials abound across the borough. We have put together a exhaustive guide to the bars across Brooklyn going above and beyond.

Shayz Lounge

This laid-back Greenpoint Irish bar will have a DJ spinning tunes from the Emerald Isle on Monday, and serving up corned beef sandwiches from 8 pm.

[130 Franklin St. between Milton Street and Greenpoint Avenue in Greenpoint, (718) 389-3888, www.shayzloungeny.com].

Technically more of a Scottish bar, on Monday this Williamsburg bar is nevertheless offering live Irish music from 5–9 pm, alongside corned beef sandwiches and drink specials.

[180 Grand St. between Driggs and Bedford avenues in Williamsburg, (718) 384-5008, www.ionabrooklyn.com].

Soccer-mad public house Banter plans on having traditional music starting Sunday afternoon — including one of its bartenders playing the bagpipes! It will also be selling a pint of Guinness and a pie for \$10 on both Sunday and Monday.

[132 Havermeyer St. at S. First Street in Williamsburg, (718) 599-5200, www.banterbrooklyn.com].

Ceol

The ideal location to engage in some hair of the dog, this bright-green Boerum Hill Irish bar will have Irish music at 5 pm on both Saturday and Sunday nights, then open early at noon on Monday, with live music at 3 pm plus prizes and giveaways.

[191 Smith St. at Warren Street in Boerum Hill, (347) 643-9911, www.ceolpub.com].

Mullanes Bar & Grill

Fort Greene's hippest sports bar will be serving up a special Irish menu, with dishes including corned beef and cabbage and beef and Guinness stew. It is also selling Irish coffees for \$6 ever hour on the hour for the whole month of March, and will have more drink specials on Saint Patrick's Day itself.

[71 Lafayette Ave. near Fulton Street in Fort Greene, (718) 797–7606, www.mullanesbrooklyn.com].



Slainte: Loretta Heaney, owner of Ceol raises a pint to Saint Patrick's Day. The Boerum Hill bar will have live music all weekend, plus prizes and giveaways on Monday.

Rocky Sullivan's

For those who want to celebrate Saint Patrick's Day with a song, this Red Hook bar is offering live music all weekend, including Ireland's the Young Wolfe Tones at 8 pm on Saturday, and locals the Lost Tribe of Donegal at 8 pm on Monday.

[34 Van Dyke St. at Dwight Street in Red Hook, (718) 246–8050, www.rockysullivansredhook.com].

Irish Haven

Line your stomach for free at this Sunset Park neighborhood favorite, which will be offering complimentary servings of corned beef and cabbage on Monday.

[4721 Fourth Ave. at 58th Street in Sunset Park, (718) 439-

Soccer Tavern

Sunset Park gets back to its roots at this Irish-owned bar, which will spend Monday serving up complimentary corned beef and cabbage and potatoes, with Irish music on the jukebox.

[6004 Eighth Ave. at 60th Street in Sunset Park, (718) 439-

Farrell's Bar & Grill

This 81-year-old Windsor Terrace cop and firefighter bar known for its giant Styrofoam cups - will be serving up free corned beef sandwiches on Monday.

[215 Prospect Park West at 16th Street in Windsor Terrace, (718) 788-8779].

773 Lounge

Ditmas Park's 773 Lounge is putting on a jam-packed weekend of Irish-themed events, kicking off Saturday with a shepherd's pie-making throwdown, followed by live music from Michael Malley at 9 pm. On Sunday, there is an Irish trivia contest at 8 pm, followed by specials on Irish whiskey. Then on Monday, the bar will begin serving up corned beef and cabbage at 4 pm, proceeded by music from Hiram Kings at 6 pm. The bar also promises to have a special guest leprechaun pouring drinks behind the bar!

[773 Coney Island Ave. between Courtelyou and Dorchester roads in Ditmas Park, (718) 462–9746, www.773lounge.com].

Shenanigans Pub

Can't get enough pipe music? Head down to this Kensington bar after the Park Slope parade on Sunday to hear even more pipers piping. The live music continues on Monday, with Jimmy O'dea performing at 8:30 pm. Free corned beef and cabbage sandwiches will be on offer both days.

[802 Caton Ave. at East 8th Street in Kensington, (718) 633-36891.

Have a solemn and somber St. Patrick's in Bay Ridge

By Will Bredderman The Feast of Saint Patrick is upon us, and every fellow knows what that means — refusing to indulge in crude ethnic stereotyping and instead upholding the noble history and proud tra-

ditions of the Irish people with extraordinary displays of sobriety, pacifism, and public decorum. So begin your bout of

responsibility and strict religious propriety on Friday at the Wicked Monk ing classic folk tunes from the Emerald



[9510 Third Ave. between 95th and 96th streets] at 11 pm, where you can see the Canny Brothers Band perform their trademark mellow blend of Celtic music and classic rock.

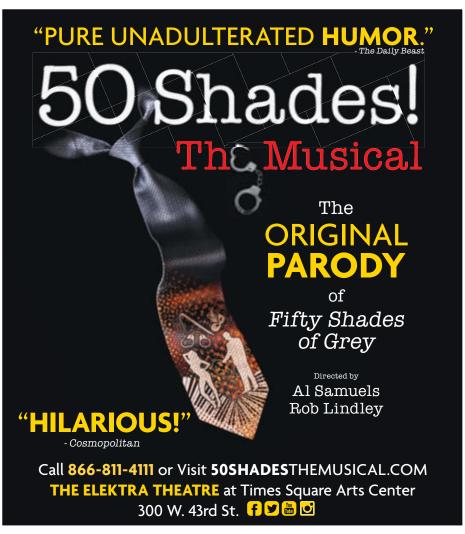
Saturday, head to another restrained and quietly dignified occasion at Kitty Kiernan's [9715 Third Ave. between 97th Street and Marine Avenue] for "The Wakehouse," a sing-along

musical about an Irish wake — featur-

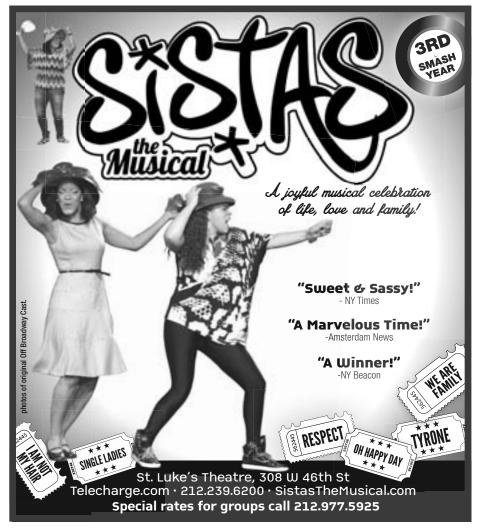
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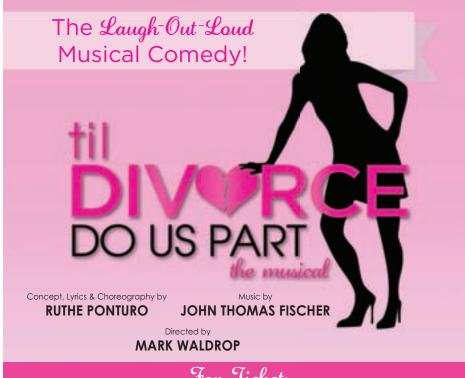
And the fun on Sunday doesn't end after Mass. You can pay a visit to O'Sullivan's Pub [8902 Third Ave. at the corner of 89th Street] for a set of authentic Irish ditties performed by guitar and tin whistle duo the Brooklyn Bards at 4 pm.

Wrap up your three-day weekend of designated driving on the feast day itself, with a hearty meal of corned beef and cabbage and a special performance by British Invasion cover band the London Fogg at the Lonestar Bar and Grill [8703 Fifth Ave. near the corner of 87th Street] at 3 pm.









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RROUND TOWN

CUE THE LAUGH TRACK

Kensington author pens book on the history of sitcoms

By Danielle Furfaro

aul Austerlitz has spent more time than most of us in front of screens.

From the time he was a young man, he found himself studying and analyzing television shows and movies. Now, the Kensington resident has written a whole book on the sitcom — the appropriately-titled "Sitcom: A History in 24 Episodes, from I Love Lucy to Community," which he will release at Greenpoint's Word bookstore on March 18. We spoke to Austerlitz about what makes sitcoms so enjoyable, how they got to be so popular, and which is his favorite.

Danielle Furfaro: Why did your write this book?

Saul Austerlitz: My previous book, "Another Fine Mess," was a history of American film comedies. I was conscious that there was something I was missing. As film progresses, there is a lot of crossover and responding to what is on televisions. I got interested in trying to research the history of the sitcom to explore that. It was a story that hadn't been told. There are some books on sitcoms out there, but they are all old. There has been a lot of new material since those books came out, so I took a chance to take a stab at it.

DF: What is an example of how movies changed tele-



Making new friends: Saul Austerlitz poses with his new book, "Sitcom: A History in 24 Episodes, from I Love Lucy to Community."

, Photo by Jason Speakman

vision and vice versa?

SA: There are all sorts of performers like Bill Murray, Steve Martin, and Mike Myers who got their start on television. One of the big successes is "Wayne's' World." In a broader senses, television in general is always responding to the way the audience thinks of it. That it is somehow sup-bar to mov-

ies. Now, sitcoms have more respect for themselves and the fact that television is a medium in its own right, not a lesser younger sibling.

DF: What are some shows that you think helped raised the bar of sitcom?

SA: Early sitcoms engaged with the subject of television in a mocking fashion. While there were a

few standouts early on, like the "Honeymooners" and "I Love Lucy," most of what was on television was junk. As you get to the 1970s, you have a show like "MASH," which is a comedy with more serious elements, and Mary Tyler Moore, which had character development and plots that stay rather than getting erased at the end of the half-hour. And then "Seinfeld" pushed sitcoms in a new direction, and today there are shows that do not fit the classic sitcom model, like "Louie" or "Girls."

DF: How did you pare down which sitcoms you would focus on?

SA: I focus on 24 sitcoms and one episode of each one. This kind of episodic focus made sense for telling the story, since we approach sitcoms and remember them through the lens of our particular favorite episodes.

DF: So what is your favorite sitcom?

SA: It's hard for me not to pick "Seinfeld." It is such a great show and so consistent all the way through and consistently and endurably, incredibly funny.

Saul Austerlitz reads from "Sitcom" at Word [126 Franklin St. at Milton Street in Greenpoint, (718) 383– 0096, www.wordbrooklyn. com]. March 18 at 7 pm.

Borough of comedy kings: Great sitcoms set in Bklyn

By Danielle Furfaro

Brooklyn itself has been the star — or at least played a supporting role — in many of television's most memorable sitcoms. In the process, images such as the front stoops of Brooklyn Heights brownstones and the elevated trains running over Bensonhurst have become iconic. Here are a few of our favorites from over the years:

The Honeymooners (1951–1955)

The real 328 Chauncey Street — home to the fictional Kramdens and Nortons, but also the childhood address of actor and series creator Jackie Gleason — is in Bedford-Stuyvesant. On this show, however, it was located in Bensonburst.



The Patty Duke Show (1963-1966)

This series was originally supposed to be set in San Francisco, but was reportedly moved to New York City to avoid California's stringent child labor laws. This unfortunate piece of trivia at least allowed the Queens-born Duke to stay in her home town, and put Brooklyn Heights in the spotlight.

Welcome Back, Kotter (1975–1979)

While Tony Manero was burning up Bay Ridge in "Saturday Night Fever," Vinny Barbarino was spitting out catchphrases in Bensonhurst, where much of this show's opening sequence was filmed. The fictional James Buchanan High School was actually New Utrecht High School — where Brooklyn-born actor Gabe "Kotter" Kaplan attended high school in real life.

The Cosby Show (1984-1992)

A Brooklyn Heights brownstone was home to the Huxtables (along with several thousand garish sweaters) — though the iconic exterior shot of the house was actually a building in Greenwich Village.

Girls (2012-present)

Hannah Horvath and her gaggle of directionless 20-something friends have become the faces of a gentrified North Brooklyn — though several of her pals actually live in Manhattan. Lena Dunham's character resides in Greenpoint, also the location of Cafe



Grumpy — both a real-world coffee shop and a revolving door for characters in need of temporary employment.

Tray display: Sunset Park artist photographs famous developer trays

By Max Jaeger

ore shutterbugs are making the switch to digital cameras, but one Brooklyn photographer is preserving the old ways.

Sunset Park resident John Cyr has created a book of photography that catalogues an oft-overlooked piece of studio minutiae—the developer tray. For the project, he spent three years snapping pictures of famous photographers' trays, and now he is bringing his album out of the darkroom for a book launch at Dumbo's PowerHouse Arena on March 18.

The trays may be low-tech and entirely disposable, but they are nonetheless integral to photo processing, Cyr explains.

"It's where you first see the product in a positive form," Cyr said.

To process a picture, a photographer projects the negative onto a piece of paper then submerges it in a series of chemicals that bring out the image and fix it to the page. The chemical processes are accomplished in the developer tray, and over time, it starts to tell a story

"It contains latent information about how photographer handled it — how often it was cleaned, tong marks, fingerprints from rotating the paper," Cyr said.



Tray cool: John Cyr shows off a photo he took of Ansel Adams's developer tray.

Photo by Stefano Giovannini

It is also one of the first things to disappear in the digital

"A lot of darkrooms are closing," he said. "It's a \$30 piece of plastic or stainless steel — they get thrown out."

Cyr's project not only memorializes one of the more ephemeral pieces of analog photography equipment, it also allowed him to meet some of his idols and see their workspaces. He ended up cataloging more than 80 photographers' trays, many of them

"It started off really organically. Being based in Brooklyn, if I go within a three-hour radius, that's 70 percent of the trays I photographed," he said.

But as the project progressed, Cyr started travelling further afield. He scored a shoot with Sally Mann's tray in Virginia, and went

as far as San Francisco, where he saw Ansel Adams' preserved

"The darkroom was set up the same as it was when he passed away," Cyr said.

He said getting access to his heroes was tough at first, but as the project progressed, they began to help him connect with other photographers.

"I felt like I was getting the seal of approval," he said.

"Developer Trays" at Powerhouse Arena [37 Main St. between Front and Water streets, (718) 666–3049, powerhousearena. com]. March 18 at 7 pm. Free.

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AROUND TOWN

MAGNIFICENT OBSESSION

Sunset Park gallery exhibits works born from extreme passion and focus

By Sarah Iannone

any artists are obsessive, but these ones have turned obsession into an art-form.

An exhibition at Sunset Park's Tabla Rasa Gallery is highlighting works that required obsessive, meticulous focus to create — not to mention countless hours in the studio.

One artist said her pieces were many years and thousands of miles in the making.

"Obsession fuels the fire to my creative practice, I believe that to be prolific one must be obsessive," said Bensonhurst artist Pamella Allen, who will lead a talk on the exhibition — appropriately titled "Obsession" — with several of the other artists on March 23.

Allen's works in the show are her take on mandalas, inspired by the circular motifs in Buddhism, Hinduism, and some Native American traditions. She made the pieces by re-purposing other artworks she has created, layering them with recycled artifacts from her life on the road. Allen's mandalas incorporate sand and soil from Costa Rica and

Long Island; ink drawings, text, sketches, and photos made while she was sailing the Aegean and the North Atlantic oceans; and photos taken in Malawi and India.

Allen said this level of detail is integral to her art. By repainting her own work over and over again into the body of the mandala, she creates her own rhythm in order to bring herself and, ultimately, the observer into a place of meditation.

"Obsession has always been a positive manifestation of an extreme process that brings me to a certain level of meditation," said Allen.

Another artist in the show said she does not even want to know how long her pieces took to make — or even conceive.

"I never know exactly how much time I spend on each piece," said Beatrice Coron, a French-born artist now living in Manhattan who is known for her meticulously crafted works cut out of paper. "It is a process of thinking of the concept. I call it 'brewing' and that part can take weeks or months."

Coron's piece in the show, titled "Peacock," is a haunt-



Meditative mandala: Bensonhurst artist Pamella Allen paints her own works over and over again into the bodies of her mandalas.

Tabla Rasa Gallery

ingly beautiful black and white work, featuring a woman's body balancing in front of a busy cityscape — every house and apartment containing tiny people and animals.

Each detail of the 126-inchlong work had to be cut out by hand. But like Allen, Coron said she relishes such a laborintensive process.

"The time spent on my art is a refuge," she said.

"Obsession" artists talk at Tabla Rasa [223 48th St. between Second and Third avenues in Sunset Park, (718) 833–9100 www.tablarasagallery.com], March 24 from 2:30–4 pm. Free.

Purim rocks: This celebration has alcohol, costumes, and hamantaschen — but no kids

By Robert Ham

hy should kids have all the Purim party fun?
On March 15, Brooklyn band the Sway Machinery will throw an adults-only "Purim Carnivale" at Littlefield in Gowanus. Not only will it be free from little tykes dressed as Mordechai and Ester, don't expect any

"We're not taking the place of a synagogue service," said the band's singer and guitarist Jeremiah Lockwood. "This is more like the after party."

Megillah readings, either.

The multiculturally-minded Brooklyn quintet — which fuses Jewish Cantorial music with blues, Afro-beat, and indie rock — has been holding these celebrations off-and-on since 2006, as part of an ongoing effort to modernize various events on the Jewish calendar. Lockwood likened his band's work to that of West African bands from the 1970s.

"They were taking this traditional village music and subjecting it to Westernization by adding dance beats and electric instruments," he said.

For this year's "Purim Carinvale,"



Sway away: The Sway Machinery will host its annual "Purim Carnivale" at Littlefield on March 15.

The Sway Machinery

the Sway Machinery will be doing what it does best — mixing together an array of global musical influences to create a punchy sound that is sure to encourage a lot of dancing.

The band also aims to build a bridge between local artistic and cultural communities by booking a diverse range of musicians on the bill. In years past, that has included a Haitian carnival band and a mariachi ensemble. This time around, "The Sw Purim Carni Degraw St. It avenues in Communities by booking a diverse range of musicians on the bill. In years past, that avenues in Communities in Communities by booking a diverse range of musicians on the bill. In years past, that avenues in Communities by booking a diverse range of musicians on the bill. In years past, that avenues in Communities by booking a diverse range of musicians on the bill. In years past, that has included a Haitian carnival band and a mariachi ensemble. This time around, provide the communities by booking a diverse range of musicians on the bill. In years past, that has included a Haitian carnival band and a mariachi ensemble. This time around, provide the communities by booking a diverse range of musicians on the bill. In years past, that has included a Haitian carnival band and a mariachi ensemble. This time around, provide the communities by booking a diverse range of musicians on the bill. In years past, that has included a Haitian carnival band and a mariachi ensemble.

it is Mitra Sumara, a group that speciaizes in covers of pop tunes originally recorded by Iranian artists in the 1960s

"It's this amazing musical subculture," Lockwood said. "It's pre-revolutionary funk and soul. Really beautiful music that is gradually becoming less obscure"

The party will still stick to some Purim traditions, however. There will be hamantaschen to nosh on, and attendees are highly encouraged to come in costume. Lockwood said the band hope to get as many folks as possible decked out in colorful outfits — and those who do will be rewarded with a \$5 discount off the price of admission.

"We want to have the same flavor as Halloween at our party," said Lockwood. "We want to see a lot of flamboyancy on display."

"The Sway Machinery's Annual Purim Carnivale" at Littlefield [622 Degraw St. between Third and Fourth avenues in Gowanus, (718) 855–3388, www.littlefieldnyc.com]. March 15 at 8 pm. \$10-\$15.



Pretty in Park Slope: Former magazine editor Lindsey Palmer has written a novel about the ladies' mag industry.

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Not all Glamor:

Former women's magazine editor writes dishy novel

By Megan Riesz

ove over, "The Devil Wears Prada."

A Park Slope teacher and former magazine editor has written a novel exposing the world of the women's magazine industry.

"The idea was that I wanted have this 360-degree view of a magazine's masthead and the types of people who are on the staff of a women's magazine," said author Lindsey Palmer. "I like to think of this as a loving satire of the world of women's magazines."

"Pretty in Ink," which will be released on March 25, is centered around the fictional publication "Hers," which brings in a nabrasive new editor-in-chief in the hopes of assuaging flagging sales in the new media landscape.

It boasts a cast of characters including a photo editor who is sleeping with her boss, a new-wave web editor, an intern, and a recipe creator — all of which are somewhat based on Palmer's time in the magazine world.

"Whether or not I was taking physical notes, I was certainly taking mental notes throughout my time in the industry," Palmer said. "Whether consciously or actively, I had been thinking this would be a great world and place to explore."

Now a 12th grade English and creative writing teacher at the Manhattan public school New Explorations into Science, Technology and Math (or NEST+m), Palmer previously worked as a features editor at Redbook — which primarily targets married women — traveling to the Democratic and Republican national conventions and sifting through pictures of attractive men for the magazine's annual "Hottest Husbands" contest. She also worked at Self and Glamour magazines.

"I had such a schizophrenic attitude about the places I worked," Palmer said. "There were moments that I was in love with it and then there were the exact opposite kinds of moments."

In the late 2000s, mass layoffs and budget cuts became all too common for print publications, and Palmer — who said she had wanted to move on, anyway — realized she could craft a pretty entertaining book based on the changing nature of the industry.

"It depended on the day, but people were more fearful and more and more interested in what we can do to promote the brand, the brand, brand," Palmer said. "A drama is born out of that kind of situation."

Despite her expose, Palmer has apparently not burned bridges with her former co-workers — she will be reading from "Pretty in Ink" at Greenlight on March 27, alongside her former boss Jeannie Kim, executive deputy director at Health magazine.

"Pretty in Ink" at Greenlight Bookstore [686 Fulton St. at S. Portland Avenue in Fort Greene, (718) 246–0200]. March 27 at 7:30 pm. Free.

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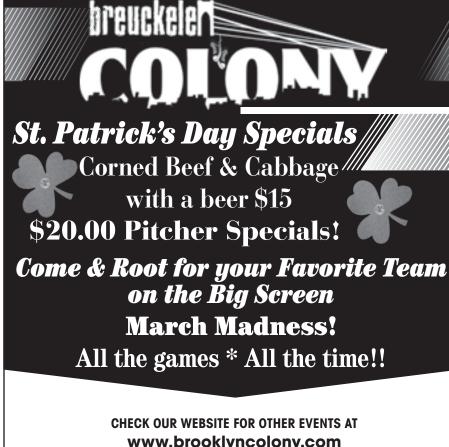
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EVENTS

FRI, MARCH 14

SPORTS, ATLANTIC 10 CHAM-PIONSHIP: College basketball. \$21-\$75. Noon, 2:30 pm, 6:30 pm, 9 pm. Barclays Center [620 Atlantic Ave. at Pacific Street in Prospect Heights, (917) 618-6100], www.barclavscenter.com.

BEDTIME MATH 2: Glow in the Dark party with Laura Overdeck. RSVP requested. Free. 3:30–4:30 pm. powerHouse on 8th [1111 Eighth Ave. between 11th and 12th streets in Park Slope, (718) 666-30491, www.powerhousearena.com.

ART, "BEAUTIFUL BEAST: The Life & Work of Geoff Pease": Two-day marathon show commemorating the 10th anniversary of prolific artist's death. Free. 5 pm – 2 am. Brooklyn Fire Proof [119 Ingraham St. at Porter Avenue in Bushwick, (347) 223-4211], brooklynfireproofeast.com.

"MOM'S NIGHT OUT": Neda Boutique partners with Bag-of-Tricks-Babysitting to offer moms a night of champagne and shopping. \$15. 6-9 pm. Neda Boutique [302 Court St. at Degraw Street in Cobble Hill, (718) 624-63321, www.facebook.com/ events/279075268924238

FILM, "GOOD VIBRATIONS": The story of Terri Hooley, a radical, rebel and music lover in war-torn 1970s Belfast. \$10. 7 pm. Wythe Hotel Screening Room [80 Wythe Ave. at North 11th Street in Williamsburg, (718) 460-8000 ext.

READING, WESLEY STACE: Author of "Wonderkid." With Dan Zanes. Free. 7:30 pm. Greenlight Bookstore (686 Fulton St. between S. Elliott Place and S. Portland Avenue in Fort Greene, (718) 246-0200], www.greenlightbook-

store.com.

7124], www.wythehotel.com

THEATER, "KING LEAR": Theatre for a New Audience performs Shakespeare's play \$60-\$75. 7:30 pm. Polonsky Shakespeare Center [262 Ashland Pl. between Fulton and Lafayette avenues in Fort Greene, (866) 811-4111], www.tfana.org.

THEATER, "DEAD END": Five teenagers struggle with extreme wealth and poverty in a divided New York City. \$15-25. 7:30 pm. Irondale Center [85 S. Oxford St. at Lafavette Avenue in Fort Greene, (718) 488-9233], www.irondale.org.

THEATER, "A ONE NIGHT STAND": Student-performed and directed one-act plays and monologues. Free. 7:30 pm. St. Francis College [180 Remsen St. between Court and Clinton streets in Brook lyn Heights, (718) 489-5200], www.sfc.edu.

THEATER, "THE JOURNEY OF A BROWN GIRL": Spoken word, prose, movement, and testimony inspired by true

stories of empowered Filipina women. \$20. 7:30 pm. The Actors Fund Arts Center [160 Schermerhorn St. between Smith and Hoyt streets in Boerum Hill, (718) 640–1845], www.actorsfund.org

THEATER, "MAID'S DOOR": Family drama written by Cheryl L. Davis. \$15-\$25 (children and seniors \$12–\$15). 8 pm. Billie Holiday Theatre [1368 Fulton St. between Marcy and Brooklyn avenues in Bedford-Stuvvesant, (718) 636-0918], www.thebillieholiday.org.

THEATER, "AS BEES IN HONEY DROWN": A young New York writer struggles with fast fame after the success of his debut novel. 8 pm. Heights Players [26 Willow Pl. between Joralemon and State streets in Brooklyn Heights. (718) 237-2752], www.heightsplayers.org.

THEATER, "REPUBLIC": Hoi Polloi Theater Company performs a dream-like piece inspired by Plato's Republic. \$18. 8 pm. Jack (505 1/2 Waverly Ave. at Fulton Street in Fort Greene), www.jackny.

MUSIC, BROOKLYN CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY: Performing works by Scarlatti, Gideon Klein, and Dvorak, \$30 (\$20) students). 8 pm. Chapel at First Unitarian Church [Pierrepont Street between Clinton Street and Monroe Place in Brooklyn Heights, (718) 858-0718], www.brooklynchambermusicsociety.org.

SAT, MARCH 15

OUTDOORS AND TOURS

MULCH AND TREE GIVEAWAY: Green-Wood Historic Fund

will be giving away free mulch and trees at Green-Wood Cemetery. Free. 2-4 pm. Green-Wood Cemetery [Fifth Avenue and 25th Street in Greenwood Heights, (718) 768-7300], www.green-wood.

PERFORMANCE

THEATER, "CINDERELLA":

Children 3 years and older will enjoy this version of the classic fairy tale of a girl, a fairy godmother and a glass slipper. \$9 (\$8 children, \$7 for groups of 20 or more). 12:30 pm and 2:30 pm. Puppetworks [338 Sixth Ave. at Fourth Street in Park Slope, (718) 965-3391], www.puppetworks.org.

THEATER, "MEDEA": Classic Greek play of a woman avenging her husband's betrayal. 2 pm, 8 pm. Gallery Players [199 14th St., between Fourth and Fifth avenues in Park Slope, (212) 352-3101], galleryplay ers.com.

MUSIC, METRO CHAMBER ORCHESTRA: Featuring the American operatic debut of Russian soprano Svetlana Kasyan. \$30-\$50. 7 pm. Cathedral of St. Joseph (856



What a skank: Ska punk veterans Reel Big Fish play Brooklyn Bowl on March 17. John Davisson / Invision / AP

Pacific St. between Vanderbilt and Underhill avenues in Prospect Heights), www.brownpapertickets.com/event/445928.

READING, JEREMY CONE:

"The Field": A universal story about growing life told through a unique blend of poetry, music, singing, and art. Free. 7 pm. Muchmore's [2 Havemeyer St. at Withers Street in Williamsburg, (718) 576-3222], muchmoresnyc.

DANCE, LA CUMBIAMBA

ENEYE: Performing as part of the World to Brooklyn dance-party series. The night features an open bar, dance lesson, and DJ after-party. \$25 (\$20 WMI Friends). 8 pm. Roulette (509 Atlantic Ave. at Third Avenue in Boerum Hill), www.roulette.org.

MUSIC, "TURANDOT": Metro Chamber Orchestra's performs Puccini's final opera. \$30-\$50. 8 pm. Cathedral of St. Joseph (856 Pacific St. between Vanderbilt and Underhill avenues in Prospect Heights), www.themetrochamberorchestra.org.

OTHER

TALK, CONFERENCE: "Black Women for Fairness, Equity and Justice": Free. 8 am – 2 pm. Medger Evers College [1650 Bedford Ave. between Montgomery and Crown streetS in Prospect Lefferts Gardens, (718) 270-4900].

"HICCUP HELP": The Paper Bag Players celebrate 55 years of creating and performing great theater for children. \$12. 10:30 am. Kingsborough Community College [2001 Oriental Blvd. at Oxford Street in Manhattan Beach, (718) 368-5596], www.onstageatkingsborough.org.

IMAGINE JACKSON POL-LOCK: Young tots examine

the natural elements and explore fire and water while learning about the artist. Free with museum admission. 11:30 am. Brooklyn Children's Museum [145 Brooklyn Ave. at St. Marks Avenue in Crown Heights, (718) 735-4400], www.brooklynkids.org.

BIRDWATCHING: Junior birders take a tour of the park and try to identify the 250 species of birds that live there. Free. Noon-1 pm. Prospect Park Audubon Center [Enter park at Lincoln Road and Ocean Avenue in Prospect Park, (718) 287-3400], www. prospectpark.org/audubon.

SQUARES IN THE CITY: Children experience a guilting bee and stitch different pieces of fabric together and make a colorful patchwork quilt. Free with museum admission. 1:30 pm. New York Transit Museum [Boerum Place at Schermerhorn Street in Downtown, (718) 694-1600], www.mta.info/mta/ museum.

STORYTIME: Children 3 to 8 vears old listen to a story and look at picture books. Free. 2:30 pm. Greenlight Bookstore [686 Fulton St. between S. Elliott Place and S. Portland Avenue in Fort Greene, (718) 246-0200], greenlightbookstore.com.

TALK, PIPER KERMAN: "Orange is the New Black memoirist Piper Kerman leads panel discussion with formerly incarcerated women who have initiated criminal justice reform. Free with museum admission, 3:30 pm. Brooklyn Museum [200 Eastern Pkwy. at Washington Avenue in Prospect Heights, (718) 638-5000], www.brooklvnmuseum.ora.

READING, "THE SCIENCE OF **REINCARNATION":** Author Sharon Guskin and Dr. Jim Tucker will discuss cases of children who report memories from previous lives. Free, 4-5:30 pm. Power-House Arena [37 Main St. at Water Street in Dumbo, (718) 666-3049], www.powerhousearena.com.

READING, ALLISON KAVE: Cookbook Tasting: Author of "First Prize Pies". Free, 4 pm. powerHouse on 8th [1111 12th streets in Park Slope, (718) 666–3049], www.powerhousearena.com.

Eighth Ave. between 11th and

PURIM CELEBRATION: Songs, costume parade, crafts, hamanstschen. 6:30 pm. Bay Ridge Jewish Center [405 81st Street, near Fourth Avenue in Bay Ridge, (718) 836-3103], www.bayridgejewishcenter.

COMEDY, "CHEAP DATE COM-EDY SHOW": Several local comedians vie for laughs. Free snacks and prizes. \$5.8 pm. Union Hall [702 Union St. at Fifth Avenue in Park Slope. (718) 638–4400], www.unionhallny.com.

SUN, MARCH 16

PERFORMANCE

MUSIC, JAZZ CLASSES: WeBop teaches children 2 to 5 years old and their caregivers about the core concepts, instruments, and great performers of jazz in eight workshops. \$350 (whole series for one child and adult). BAM Kids [30 Lafayette Ave. at Ashland Place in Fort Greene, (718) 636-4129], www.bam.org

MUSIC, ST. PATRICK'S DAY SHOW: Martin McQuade performs Irish tunes with pianist Jesse Gelber. Free. 6 pm. Greenhouse Cafe [7717 3rd Ave. between 77th and 78th streets in Bay Ridge, (718) 833-8200], www.greenhousecafe.com.

MUSIC, FRANK SOLIVAN & **DIRTY KITCHEN:** \$15. 9 pm Jalopy [315 Columbia St. between Hamilton Avenue and Woodhull Street in Columbia Street Waterfront, (718) 395-3214], www.jalopy.biz.

OTHER

PURIM FAMILY FESTIVAL: Purim activities for children: maskmaking, grogger decorating, face painting, live music, goodie bags, potluck brunch Costumes encouraged. **Free**. 10 am. Kings Bay Y- North Williamsburg [14 Hope St. between Roebling and Havermeyer streets in Williamsburg, (718) 407-6388], www. northwilliamsburgy.org.

PURIM CELEBRATION: Costumes, games, and the whole Megillah. \$8 (children under 3 free). 2 pm. Shorefront Y [3300 Coney Island Ave. and Brightwater Court in Brighton Beach, (718) 646-1444], www. shorefronty.org.

ARTY FACTS: Children 4 to 7 years old explore the galleries, enjoy an activity and take an art class. \$10 materials fee plus museum admission. 11 am and 1:30 pm. Brooklyn Museum [200 Eastern Pkwy. at Washington Avenue in Prospect Heights, (718) 638-5000], www.brooklynmuseum.org.

STORYTIME: Babied and toddlers enjoy a story time with songs, and interactive play. Free. 11 am. Greenlight Bookstore [686 Fulton St. between S. Elliott Place and S. Portland Avenue in Fort Greene, (718) 246-0200], greenlightbookstore.com.

ANNUAL BROOKLYN ST. PADDY'S DAY PARADE: Rededication ceremony honoring 9/11 before step off. Free. 12:45 pm. Parade Route (Prospect Park West at 15th Street

in Prospect Park).

TREASURED STORIES BY ERIC CARLE: The Mermaid Theatre of Nova Scotia presents "A Brown Bear, a Moon, and a Caterpillar," through puppets. Suitable for children 4 years and old up. \$7. 2 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

READING, LIT AT LARK: Hear fiction and nonfiction by award-winning, best-selling, and up-and-coming writers during this monthly series. Free. 5 pm. Lark Cafe [1007 Church Ave. between Stafford and E. 10th Street in Kensington, (718) 469-0140], facebook.com/litatlark.

MON, MARCH 17

JEWISH COMMUNITY SER-VICES PURIM PARTY: Jewish Community Services and the United Jewish Appeal will hold a free Purim party. There will be food and music, as well as information about the post-Sandy Outreach program the groups are conducting. RSVP is required call (212) 632-4640. Free. 2 pm. Primorski Restaurant [282 Brighton Beach Ave., Brooklyn, NY in Brighton Beach, (212) 632-4640].

JBFCS POST SANDY PURIM PARTY: Purim party for Brooklyn communities affected by Superstorm Sandy. Refreshments and entertainment. RSVP requested. Free. 2-4 pm. Primorski Restaurant [282 Brighton Ave. between Brighton Beach 2nd and 3rd streets, (212) 632-4640].

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LAN-GUAGE: Registration is ongoing. **Free**. 6:30–9 pm. FDR High School [5800 20th Ave. at 59th Street in Bensonhurst, (718) 621-88431

MUSIC, REEL BIG FISH: \$20.8 pm. Brooklyn Bowl [61 Wythe Ave. between N. 11th and N. 12th streets in Williamsburg, (718) 963-3369], www.brooklynbowl.com.

TUES, MARCH 18

FILM, "THE MAN I LOVE": As part of the film series "Under the Influence: Scorsese/ Walsh." \$13 (\$8 members). 4:30 pm, 7 pm and 9:15 pm. Brooklyn Academy of Music [30 Lafayette Ave. between Ashland Place and St. Felix Street in Fort Greene, (718) 636-4100], www.bam.org.

TALK, "LIVE HEALTHY" PRO-GRAM LAUNCH: Exercise, Nutrition and Healthy Caribbean Cooking Classes. Free. 6:15 pm. ČAMBA [1720 Church Ave. near Fast 18th Street in Flatbush, (718) 287-2600], www.camba.org.

FILM, "THE SUPER COPS": 1974 film starring Ron Leibman and David Selby, directed by Gordon Parks. \$10 (suggested). 7 pm. Spoke the Hub [748 Union St. at 6th Avenue in Park Slope, (718) 408-3234], www.spokethehub.org.

READING, FICTION BOOK GROUP: Led by general manager Alexis. Book TBD. Free. 7:30 pm. Greenlight Bookstore [686 Fulton St. between

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S. Elliott Place and S. Portland Avenue in Fort Greene, (718) 246–0200], greenlightbookstore.com.

MUSIC, HAMILTON COLLEGE CHOIR: Free. 7:30 pm. St. Boniface Church (109 Willoughby St. between Bridge and Duffield streets in Downtown Brooklyn).

COMEDY, DUMBO COMEDY: Standup hosted by Aaron Kominos-Smith and Meghan Hanley. Free. 8 pm. Dish Dumbo [81 Washington St. between York and Front streets in Dumbo, (718) 625-3474], www.facebook.com/ dumbocomedy.

WED, MARCH 19

MUSIC, DANNY QUINN: Traditional Irish and contemporary music, refreshments. Free. 6-9 pm. Carmine Carro Community Center [3000 Filmore Ave. at Marine Parkway in Marine Park, (856) 630–9089] marypowellfoundation.org.

READING, NOVIOLET BULA-WAYO: The author talks with Ben Greenman as part of the series "Eat, Drink and Be Literary." The evening includes dinner and wine. \$55. 6:30 pm. Brooklyn Academy of Music [30 Lafavette Ave. be tween Ashland Place and St. Felix Street in Fort Greene, (718) 636-4100], www.bam.

READING, SERGEI DOVLA-TOV: Sergei Dovlatov discusses new book "Pushkin Hills," with Matt Taibbi, Keith Gessen, Alex Gilvarry, Anya Ulinich, and Alex Halberstadt. Free. 7-9 pm. Power House Arena [37 Main St. at Water Street in Dumbo, (718) 666-3049], www.powerhousearena.com.

THURS, MARCH 20

FREE THURSDAYS: Enjoy the museum and all the exhibits free every third Thursday of the month. Free. 3 pm. Brooklyn Children's Museum [145 Brooklyn Ave. at St. Marks Avenue in Crown Heights, (718) 735-4400], www.brooklynkids.org.

MOONLIGHT WALK: Take a night stroll for an evening of stargazing and hiking. End the walk with a hot cocoa and s'mores. Reservations required. \$10 (\$30 per family of 4). 6–8 pm. Prospect Park Audubon Center [Enter park at Lincoln Road and Ocean Avenue in Prospect Park, (718) 287-3400], www. prospectpark.org/audubon.

TALK, "THE OLIGARCHS OF SILICON VALLEY": Author Joel Kotkin speaks on how tech leaders are driving our national debates. Free. 6 pm. St. Francis College [180 Remsen St. between Court and Clinton streets in Brooklyn Heights, (718) 489–5200], www.sfc.edu.

PIETRO'S FIGHT: Fundraiser for the Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy foundation. Price includes cocktail hour, open bar, dinner, entertainment by DJ Steven Retas, dancing and raffles. \$150 per person. 7pm to 1 am. El Caribe Country Club (5954 Strickland Ave. in Mill Basin), www.pietrosfight.

THEATER, "I'M MISERABLE

BUT CHANGE SCARES ME": An existential sitcom about co-dependency and stagnation. \$20. 8 pm. BRIC Arts Media House [647 Fulton St. at Rockwell Place in Fort Greene, (718) 683-5621], www.bricartsmedia.org

MUSIC, LILLY WOLF, JEN URBAN & THE BOX, KILLY DWYER, VERNOUS: \$10.8 pm. Coco66 [66 Greenpoint Ave. between Franklin and West streets in Greenpoint, (917) 807-6045], www.myspace.com/coco66.

MUSIC, "BOWLIVE V FEATUR-ING SOULIVE": 8:30 pm. See Friday, March 14.

FRI, MARCH 21

SING ALONG: Miss Nina leads the children in song. RSVP requested. Free. 4 pm. powerHouse on 8th [1111 Eighth Ave. between 11th and 12th streets in Park Slope, (718) 666-3049], www.powerhousearena.com. Music, Anya Marina & Friends, The Brixtons: \$10. 8:30 pm. Union Hall [702 Union St. at Fifth Avenue in Park Slope, (718) 638– 4400], www.unionhallny.com.

MUSIC, "REGGAE NIGHT WITH SOUL IMPERIAL": Free. 10 pm. The Diamond [43 Franklin St. near Cayler Street in Greenpoint, (718) 383-50301. thediamondbrooklyn.com.

SAT, MARCH 22

PERFORMANCE

MUSIC, OPEN HOUSE: Performances, workshops, give-

more in honor of Brooklyn School of Rock's grand opening. Free. 1-4 pm. School of Rock Brooklyn [327 Douglass St. at Fourth Avenue in Park Slope, (347) 915-4419], brooklyn.schoolofrock.com.

DANCE, COVENANT BALLET THEATRE: "Ondine the Sea Sprite": Covenant Ballet Theatre performs ballet based on "The Little Mermaid" and an Irish folk tale. \$25 (\$20 seniors, children under 12). 2:00pm. Kingsborough Community College [2001 Oriental Blvd. at Oxford Street in Manhattan Beach, (718) 368–5000], www.onstageatkinasborouah.ora.

MUSIC, BROOKLYN JAZZ WIDE OPEN: Concert, dialogue, and workshop series. \$10. 8 pm. Brooklyn Conservatory of Music [58 Seventh Ave. between Lincoln Place and Seventh Avenue in Park Slope, (718) 622-3300], www. bqcm.org.

DANCE, "ON HER SHOUL-

DERS: Celebrating the Legacy of Women Artists of the African Diaspora": Performance blending contemporary and traditional choreography. \$15. 8 pm. Cumbe [558 Fulton Street, 2nd Floor, Brooklyn NY 11217, (718) 935-9700].

FAMILY SKATE DAY: HRC invites families to skate the day away. \$25 with rental(\$20 no rental); \$20 kids with rental; \$15 kids no rental). 2-5:30 pm. Aviator Sports and Events Center [3159 Flatbush Ave. in Floyd Bennett Field in Marine Park,

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BY CAMILLE SPERRAZZA

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Brooklyn's Metro Chamber Orchestra, now in its 11th season, has developed into one of New York City's finest musical ensembles. and is an active part of Brooklyn's Renaissance. Audiences have responded enthusiastically to programming that combines custom arrangements for chamber orchestra with commissions of entirely new instrumental and vocal works.

Established in 2002 by Artistic Director Philip Nuzzo, the Metro Chamber Orchestra is comprised of some of the city's best freelance musicians, many of whom are veterans of the New York Philharmonic, the Metropolitan Opera Orches-



tra, and major Broadway productions.

If you have yet to experience one of the orchestra's fine performances — or if vou have, and look forward to another fabulous show be aware that the group performs in Giacomo Puccini's grand opera, "Turandot," on Saturday, March 15, 8 pm, at the Co-cathedral of St. Joseph's.

The cast features Metropolitan Opera veterans John Horton Murray as the nameless prince and bass Mikhail Svetlov as his father, Timur. Making her debut performance with the Metro Chamber Orchestra is Korean soprano Yu Jung Bae as the slave girl, Liu. The demanding title role will be played by veteran Metro Chamber Orchestra member Therese Panicali.

spectacular Puccini's choral scenes are gloriously performed by the Brooklyn Conservatory Choral, Leif Ericson Day School Junior Choir and Our Lady of Guadalupe Children's Choir. The performance, under the direction of the Metro Chamber Orchestra's Artistic Director Philip Nuzzo, is the first musical event to be held in the newly renovated Co-Cathedral of St. Joseph, and all are looking forward to it.

Nuzzo is enthusiastic about bringing the show to this venue, and the possibility of introducing classical music to a new group of fans. He notes that, "Audiences have

responded enthusiastically to our programming. With so many small orchestras going out of business, we are still here, better than ever." He is most grateful for that.

The group has attracted world class soloists, collaborating with international opera stars that include Leona Mitchell, Donnie Rav Albert, Audrey Stottler, John Horton, Murray Mikhail Svetlov, Erica Strauss, and Monica Yunis, says Nuzzo. Notable performers who have worked with the Metro Chamber Orchestra include David Gould who plays the clarinet for Orchestre national de France; Alucia Scalzo, who plays the clarinet with the New York Philharmonic; and Alex Sopp, flute player, of the New York Philharmonic.

Nuzzo has performed throughout the Far East, Europe, and the United States. In recent seasons, he has been a principal guest conductor of the Cairo Symphony Orchestra in Egypt, and has held the post of Artistic Director of the Mississippi Opera, he says. He has appeared with major symphonies in Vienna, Austria and the Ukraine. He has appeared in operas in Cairo and Tampa.

"Turandot"performance at the Co-cathedral of St. Joseph's (356 Pacific St. between Hoyt and Bond streets in Boerum Hill) on March 15, 8 pm. Tickets \$30 for general seating. Limited number of select seats for \$50. Tickets available at: www.brownpapertickets. com/event/445928.

Metro Chamber Orchestra [www.themetrochamberorchestra.org, (718) 801-3811]. Purchase tickets at www.brownpapertickets. com/event/445928.





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Cheers to D.I.Y. giant Lowe's, Samsung Hope for Children, and the Jimmie Johnson Foundation for gifting students and staff at PS 193 the Gil Hodges School with a \$48,000 grant.

The makeover money will provide updated technology equipment, such as pro-



jectors, laptops, tablets and document cameras, so pupils can improve their edu-

The funds are part of the third annual Team Up for Technology initiative that addresses a critical issue in education, according to Johnson, six-time Nascar Spring Cup champion, and founder of the Jimmie Johnson Foundation.

"There is a need for adequate technology to prepare students for their futures," he said.

Ten schools were selected as finalists and were given a prize kit, including a Samsung digital camera and a Samsung laptop, to create a two-minute video demonstrating the school's needs.

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PS 193 the Gil Hodges School [2515 Avenue L and Bedford Avenue in Midwood, (718) 338-9011].

PROSPECT HEIGHTS

Reaching new 'Heights'

Welcome to Sunny Skies Preschool for opening its latest center in Prospect Heights.

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"I am getting lots of foot travel every day," she said. "We are not full yet, but soon we will be."

Standing O says "Get there quick, space is running out."



BLUE POWER: From left, precinct commander Capt. William Taylor, Sgt. Eric Waldheim, Police Officer Ricardo Dicandia, Police Officer Jason Bryant, Police Officer Linda Buchelli and Assemblyman Peter Abbate at Cop of the Month ceremonies on Feb. 18. Photo by Steve Solomonson

Best of the 'Finest' at the 62nd Precinct

BENSONHURST

Members of the 62nd Precinct Community Council, commanding officer Capt. Bill Taylor of the 62nd Precinct, and Assemblyman Peter Abbate, (D-Bath Beach) stood up and cheered for Officers Ricardo Dicandia, Jason Bryant, Linda Buchelli, and Sgt. Eric Waldheim of the "62," for going above and beyond the call of duty.

The Finest were presented with "Cop of the Month" awards at the monthly meeting on Feb. 18.

Courier shutterbug Steve Solomonson snapped the momentus occasion, and reported that Capt. Taylor was very proud of his officers for "harassing" the baddies in the community.

Standing O also learned that crime is down in their neck of the woods, and it's no wonder considering you have the best of the Finest protecting us.

The fantastic four have been on a crime-busting spree since January, bringing miscreants to justice, assisting in two arrests for robberies — and an assault and robbery on New Year's

Standing O expresses its gratitude to these officers who patrol our streets and keep our communities safe.

Assemblyman Abbate added his praise and told Standing O, "I was honored and proud to be able to present these officers with a New York State Assembly Citation because they have shown their bravery and commitment to our community."

62nd Police Precinct [1925 Bath Ave. at Bay 22nd Street in Bensonhurst, (718) 236-2611].

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The family-owned business has been around for 30 years, and offers walk-in selfservice, drop-off, and dry cleaning services. Owner Stanley Ng's answer won for his pro-active approach.

"Every time I walk into my business, I'm thinking about how I can save on en-



BAY RIDGE

Erin go Xaverian

Irish eyes were smiling and the pipes were calling from glen to glen and down the streets of Rockaway again, as members of Xaverian High School's Pipe and Drum Corps kicked off the 39th annual Rockaway Saint Patrick's Day parade on March 2.

Standing O knows it's in that other borough, but it's still close enough to Brooklyn's Irish heartstrings for pipers and drummers to get a shout-out.

Thankfully the music-makers will be piping and drumming in the Bay Ridge St. Patrick's Day Parade on March 23, so we can all enjoy a rousing round of "Oh, Danny Boy."

Polish up the shillelagh and get ready to march, and sláinte to the team — may we meet on the bonnie, bonnie banks of Third and Marine avenues on parade day.

Xaverian High School [7100 Shore Rd. at 77th Street in Bay Ridge, (718) 836-71001.

ergy costs," he said.

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"Boro Park Wash Center [5321 Ft. Hamilton Pkwy. in Borough Park, (718) 438-3823].

BOROUGH WIDE

Flying a Golden Kite

Three cheers and a lollipop to Peter Brown. The local children's author and illustrator was awarded the Golden Kite Award from the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators for his book "Mr. Tiger Goes Wild," one of Standing O's per-

Our pal Peter will receive the award in August in Los Angeles during the 42nd annual Society's Conference on Writing and Illustrating for Children — woop-di-

Standing O offers congratulations and wishes the stellar scribe a safe flight.

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'You have to be proud of yourself and build off what you did and get better.'

 Bishop Loughlin coach Chez Williams after his team's devastating quarterfinal loss to St. Mary's 'These kids were the most resilient group I've coached in 27 years.'

- Bishop Ford coach Denis Nolan on his team's never-say-die attitude

Loughlin's title hopes again ended by rival

BY JOSEPH STASZEWSKI

There weren't many words shared, but plenty of tears shed in the locker room between Bishop Loughlin coach Ed Gonzalez and his senior stars Khadeen Carrington and Mike Williams.

Both players' stellar careers came to an end last Sunday with a 72–61 loss to rival Christ the King in the Catholic Class AA intersectional boys' basketball title game at Fordham University.

It was the Lions' secondstraight defeat at the hands of the Royals in the final and the end of the two stars' quest for a city title.

Williams, a three-year varsity player, said he and Carrington, a four-year letter winner, just embraced each other after the game.

"It's over," Carrington said. "We are seniors now. There is nothing you can really say at this moment."

Gonzalez was the last one out of the locker room, tears still welling up in his eyes. All signs pointed to this finally being the year Loughlin landed its first title since 1992. The Lions were seniorladen, the Seton Hall-bound Carrington won the league's most valuable player award, and his team won the Brooklyn-Queens regular season and diocesan crowns.

"The only thing that was missing on his resume is a city championship, and we've come close twice together," Gonzalez said. "We thought this was gonna be the one, and we came up a little short again."

Carrington had been slowed by the defense of



RISING STAR: Khalik Howe goes up for layup during the Class AA Boys Basketball Championship between Christ the King and Bishop Loughlin in the Bronx on March 9. Photo by Robert Cole

Christ the King star Rawle Alkins, but tied the score with a three-pointer that sparked a 6–0 run to give the Lions a 58–55 lead with 4:26 left in the game. Loughlin (23–6) wouldn't record another field

goal after that, and watched the Royals go on a 17–3 run to close the game. The Lions missed three layups in the last minutes.

"We just had to shoot the ball," Williams said. "It just

wasn't falling."

Carrington, the school's all-time leading scorer, tallied 21 points, and Rutgersbound Williams had 17. Javian Delacruz was held to just eight. Loughlin was dominated on the glass, took 17 less free throws than the Royals, and shot just 38 percent for the game, including an uncharacteristic 3 of 21 from three-point range.

"We didn't play well offensively," Gonzalez said. "We didn't recognize what they were doing. Tonight they were the better team."

Alkins, who scored 24 points after guaranteeing victory, swung the momentum back Christ the Kings' way for good. He hit a layup and then buried a long three-pointer after Carrington missed from deep. It put CK up 64–61 with 2:16 go. Travis Atson had 21 points and 10 rebounds for the Royals (23–6) and Adonis Delarosa added 10 points and 15 boards.

"It's a tough loss," Carrington said. "It's going to take us awhile to get over it."

He understands a city title is the one thing missing from his and Williams' resumes as high school players. Carrington feels that ultimately it doesn't take away from what they accomplished together.

"Me and Mike did a lot of great things for Loughlin, and nobody can take that away from us," Carrington said. "If you are going to define us as players by winning a championship, so be it, but you can say we did a lot of great things."



FACEOFF: Bishop Loughlin's Kayse Brown gets ready to run a play against St. Mary's.

Photo by Steve Schnibbe

Lions girls' team falls short in state quarterfinals

BY JOSEPH STASZEWSKI

Bishop Loughlin's girls' basketball team suffered a stunning, seasonending loss last Wednesday night.

The Lions fell 67–48 to Long Island champions St. Mary's in the Catholic Class AA girls' basketball quarterfinals at St. Anthony's (LI) on March 5.

Loughlin hung right in with the Gaels early on, before a 20–0 second-quarter run put it in a hole too big to overcome. The Lions trailed 45–23 at that

Junior guard Kiana Clark felt her team got too caught up in what St. Mary's was doing, and didn't stick to its game plan to stabilize things.

"When that happens we rush," Clark said of St. Mary's run. "We have to have more patience. We have to take our time. We always try to play another team's pace."

Senior Kayse Brown led the Lions with 16 points. Clark scored nine, Crystal Morgan had eight and Oshunremi Iwelu added seven. Loughlin coach Chez Williams said his team went cold during the second-quarter run. Shots they hit earlier in the game just weren't going down.

"We weren't scoring," he said. "We stayed on a certain number for a long period of time. If you are not going to put the ball in the basket you are not going to win games."

Junior forward Jordan Augustus led St. Mary's with 18 points, and four other Gaels players had 10. Loughlin kept fighting in the second half, but the Lions had no answer for Augustus in the paint once she got rolling.

"She just gave it to us," Brown said. "She played well."

Williams has seen inconsistent play from his team throughout the season, but he expected that from a team that has just three seniors and a large

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Orange Wave heartbreak

Cardozo hands Jefferson third-straight title-game loss

BY MIKE MORTON

It wiped out top-seeded Abraham Lincoln in the semifinals, but the Orange Wave finally broke last Saturday in the title game.

No. 4 Thomas Jefferson lost a 55-54 heartbreaker to No. 2 Benjamin Cardozo in the Public School Athletic League Class AA boy's basketball city championship game at the Barclays

It was Jefferson's third-straight loss in the final, but Jefferson coach Lawrence "Bud" Pollard, was still proud of his team.

"If I look back and say to myself 'is there anything we could have done, or the kids could have done, any better or different?' I wouldn't change anything," said Pollard.

Sophomore guard Shamorie Ponds led Jefferson (21-10) with 16 points, to go along with five rebounds and two steals. Things were looking bleak for the Orange Wave at halftime, trailing the Judges 25-18. More concerning was the fact that they only scored three points in the second quarter. Momentum changed quickly after the break. Jefferson picked up its intensity to out-score Cardozo (27-2) by nine in the third frame.

'The defense stepped up. We kept attacking," said senior guard Patrick Brown, who scored 15 points in the



ALL OUT: Jefferson's Dagauise Andrews lays up for two of his nine points during the championship game against Cardozo at the Barclays Center. Photo by Steve Schnibbe

Things fell apart for Jefferson after taking a five-point lead over the Judges with 1:31 left to play. Cardozo senior Francisco Williams, who led all scorers with 21 points, was wide open under the basket for a backdoor dunk to cut the lead to one with 39 seconds left to play,

Then, with just 11.3 seconds left, Ponds found himself at the free throw line with the chance to extend the Orange Wave lead, but missed the front end of the one-and-one. Cardozo grabbed the rebound, and sophomore Rashond Salnave drove the length of the court into the paint. He drew a foul on a wild layup attempt with just 2.5 second left. Salnave hit both free throws, ending Jefferson's season — and its quest for an elusive city title.

The championship was a home game of sorts for the Orange Wave, as this was the first-ever city championship game to be played at the Barclays Center in Brooklyn. The event attracted a raucous crowd that cheered loudly for both sides.

"This was a great atmosphere and a great game," Pollard said. "I wish I could have been on the other side watching it instead of coaching it."

He said the thing that hurts most about losing such a tough game was the feeling of letting people in East New York down. However, if history is any indication, Jefferson will get another chance next season.

"I know for a fact we're going to get one in the next couple of years," Pol-

Nazareth's championship dreams end

Lady Kingsmen finish season just one win shy of trip to Albany

BY JOSEPH STASZEWSKI

Last weekend was a rollercoaster for Nazareth senior Bianca Cuevas and her teammates.

Just a day after an emotional win over Christ the King in the Catholic Class AA state semifinals that saw the All-American guard score a career-high 50 points, the Lady Kingsmen suffered a wrenching 60-47 loss to St. Anthony's in the title game last Sunday at Holy Trinity.

Cuevas scored just 16 points, shooting 4 of 16 from three-point range as St. Anthony's packed in its zone defense to keep her out of the paint. Part of the reason was a knee injury from the semifinal game the day before.



PLAYING HURT: Bianca Cuevas injured her knee before the championship game between Nazareth and St. Anthony's on March 8. Photo by Robert Cole

"I couldn't really do much because my body was hurting today," Cuevas said. "My knee is hurting

from yesterday."

Nazareth's Jen Fay tallied 10 points and Yazmine Belk added nine, but it wasn't enough to keep their last season going.

The Friars (25–4) took control of the game in the third with Cuevas and Fay out of the game with foul trouble. They went on a 14-2 run to close the frame and take a 47-36 lead into the fourth quarter. Nazareth coach Ron Kelley said he never considered putting Cuevas back in during the third quarter.

"I knew I wasn't going to put her back in until the fourth quarter," Kelley said. "She wasn't really playing too well. Not just the shooting part, but everything

He felt the Friars dominated them on the boards. Forwards Jayla Jones-Pack, Kalifa Davy and Coulter Bowlen limited Nazareth's second chance points, challenged shots, and scored inside. Charise Wilson led the St. Anthony's with 20 points, Chastity Taylor had 17 points and Davy added

St. Anthony's coach Ken Parham said he wouldn't let himself enjoy the win until the buzzer, because he watched Nazareth (20-7) break his team's heart in the closing seconds of the semifinals in 2011.

"I refused to show any happiness until the clock went off because I thought a couple of years back we had the game and we gave

Morton can't dodge blame for Lincoln's loss

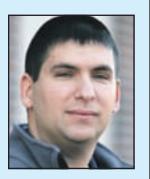
Morton appears to have coached his last game at Abraham Lincoln, but he isn't leaving like the champion he has been throughout his career. Morton never got control of the overconfidence that grew around his overwhelmingly talented roster that include the city's best player in Isaiah Whitehead.

Morton said there is a "good chance" he joins Whitehead, a Seton Hall signee, next season, after 19 years as Lincoln boys' basketball coach and eight city titles. It was reported back in September that he was headed to East Orange next year.

Morton, wearing a Seton Hall hat, expressed more relief than disappointment after the topseeded and heavily favored Railsplitters were upset by No. 4 Thomas Jefferson 77–74 in the Public School Athletic League Class AA semifinals on March 5.

"You definitely want to go out as a winner, but I feel more relief right now to be honest, because I don't have to worry about practice tomorrow." Morton said. "I want to go out as a winner, but sometimes there is a lot of stress."

He didn't take any blame for the Railsplitters not winning the second-straight title that nearly everyexpected. Morton had Whitehead, fellow Seton Hall-signee Desi Rodriguez, and St. Peter's-bound guard Elisha Boone, along with center Thomas Holley and bluecollar point guard Anthony Williams. The majority of the Railsplitters' games against New York City teams ended with lopsided scores, highlight-reel dunks and a



by Joe Staszewski

sense of invincibility that led to overconfidence.

"Just by us coming to Manhattan and showing everybody that we are a real tough team and nobody can possibly beat us," Whitehead said of putting his team's talents on display after a borough final win at City College. "We just wanted to show everybody that."

Morton said his players, not he, looked past Jefferson to the state Federation crown. But it's the coach's job to keep his team hungry and humble. Morton then proceeded to place blame on Whitehead—his meal ticket to greener pastures — and on Rodriguez too, for good measure.

"I think Isaiah did a terrible job leading us at the end of the game when we were on a comeback." Morton said. "Desi fouling out. He did a terrible job fouling out. I think he should position himself not to be anywhere around fouling out."

His last year as the Railsplitters' coach will be remembered for Lincoln missing a chance for another crown.

Morton was as big a part of that as his players, even if he won't ad-

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HIGH JUMP: South Shore's Brianna Fraser goes up for a lay up for two of her 26 points during Saturday's championship game against Lewis at the Barclays Center. Photo by Steve Schnibbe

Another title loss for South Shore

BY MIKE MORTON

Turnovers, missed free throws, and costly calls from the referees all contributed in the top-seeded Vikings' 65–58 loss to No. 3 Francis Lewis in the Public School Athletic League Class AA girls' basketball title game on Saturday afternoon at the Barclays Center.

This was the secondstraight season South Shore lost in the city championship, and the fourth time in the last six years.

South Shore coach Anwar Gladden said he saw a trend in the calls against his team in the big game.

"Today Francis Lewis beat us, but it makes it tough for these young ladies. It's not fair to them. It's disappointing."

One such call came after a missed free throw in the closing minutes when on a ball seemed to Gladden to have deflected out of bounds off a Lewis player, but officials gave the ball to the Patriots.

Another key call was on an out-of-bounds ruling against the Vikings on a fast break up the sideline when South Shore was down 58–51 with 44 seconds left in the game.

Gladden made it clear, though, that Francis Lewis was the better team and deserved to win. His team failed to execute in key areas. The Vikings shot just 29.5 percent from the field, missed 14 free throws and committed 19 turnovers that led to 17

points for Francis Lewis.

Sierra Green led the Patriots in scoring with 21 points, including six three-pointers.

South Shore had struggled throughout the season at the line, Gladden said, but the high number of turnovers left him wondering what could have happened. Francis Lewis ran a press defense throughout the game that gave the Vikings fits. The Patriots closed the first half on a 10–2 run to take a 27–18 lead into the half.

"We work on the press all season long," Gladden said. "It was our Achilles heel to start the season. I was surprised we turned it over 19 times."

Although it was a tough loss, the South Shore was quick to reflect on what was a very positive season.

"It was hard for me because it's my last year, but we played hard throughout the whole season," said senior guard Emmeri Archer, who scored 11 points in her final high school game.

Maryland-bound junior Brianna Fraser led all scorers with 26 points, and added 15 rebounds and four blocks. Another loss in the finals has her ready to come back and fight for the championship that she has been so close to twice now.

"We're always hungry," Fraser said. "Even if we would have won we still would have been hungry for another championship."

Bishop Ford falls in final

Unexpected playoff run ends with blowout loss to Xavier

BY JOSEPH STASZEWSKI

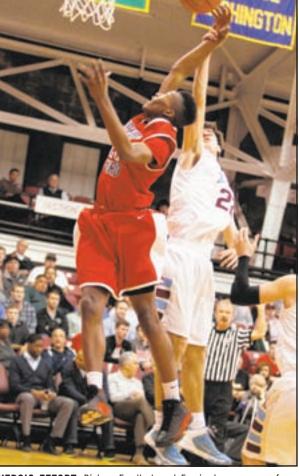
Resilience powered Bishop Ford's run to the championship game, but the Falcons couldn't get back up from a blistering shooting performance from Xavier.

The second-seeded Knights hardly missed during a big third quarter, and it was enough to hand No. 4 Ford an 83–68 loss in the Catholic Class A boys' basketball intersectional championship at Fordham University on Monday. Xavier shot 62.5 percent from the field in the second half and connected on 9 of 18 three-pointers in the game. The Knights built a 59–40 lead heading into the fourth.

"They are a good shooting team," junior guard Dior Dixon said. "Closing out on them, they are still hitting jump shots. We pressed after and they're still hitting jump shots."

The Falcons (14–13) had survived some tough odds all season, just not on this night. Ford (24–3) started the year 2–7, had to beat Farrell in its final league game to finish fourth and earn a home playoff game. It did so with its seniors on a ski trip and trailing by 14 points in the second quarter. The Falcons were also down 14 to St. Joseph by the Sea with 3:00 to go in the game and rallied for a first-round win.

Ford coach Denis Nolan said even his family was wondering how many



HEROIC EFFORT: Bishop Ford's Israel Farrington goes up for a rebound against Xavier's Kevin Crocket during the championship game on Monday – but it was not enough for Ford to take home the championship.

Photo by Steve Schnibbe

points they were going to lose by when his team trailed top-seeded Nazareth 14–3 after the first quarter in the semifinals, but his players never quit.

"These kids were just the most resilient group of kids I've ever coached in 27 years," Nolan said. "They just had a

never-say-die attitude."

Ford thought it had survived an early Xavier barrage when it trailed just 32-27 at the half. Nolan has told his team all year that the first four minutes of the third quarter are some of the most important in the game. Then Xavier went on a 12–3 run capped by a four-play play from Kevin Crockett to grab a 47-31 advantage with 4:20 to go in the frame. Crockett led Xavier with 19 points, six rebounds and six assists and Liam Monaghan scored 17 of his 19 points in the sec-

"Whatever we tried really didn't work," Nolan said. "They had an answer for everything tonight."

Devin Dingle paced Ford with 20 points and eight rebounds, and Dixon had 18 points and seven boards. Jonathan Murry had 15 points, and Qumari McAlister added 10.

The junior-laden Falcons team is hoping to take the toughness and experience it gained this year to make next season an even better one. This run will still not be forgotten, by the tight-knit team.

"Those are going to be memories we talk about forever," Dingle said. "We are going to try to thrive like that next year. Hopefully we won't be in that predicament, but we played as a family."

Nazareth

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it away in the last few seconds," Parham said.

Nazareth got within 51–39 with 6:13 left in the game, but scored just a Fay layup until Wilson sealed it with a three-pointer with 2:30 remaining.

Fay said her team just didn't have the same fire it brought against Christ the King.

"I think we were motivated, but it wasn't the same," she said. "It wasn't

the same energy."

The loss marks the end of the careers of Cuevas, Belk, Fay and Sofia Roma, who will all be attending Division I schools next fall. They helped the Lady Kingsmen regroup after a diocesan semifinal loss to Archbishop Molloy, but fell one game shy of heading to the Federation tournament.

"It's disappointing because we came up with so much momentum from last night's game," Fay said. "To have it all taken away like that stinks."

Lions

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number of players getting their first real varsity experience. Loughlin lost Division-I players Jasmine Alston (LaSalle) and Imani Tate (Albany) to graduation after reaching the title game last season. The coach acknowledged his players' progress during the season.

"They grew a lot," Williams said. "Everyday is a process."

The team matured,

learned to play at the varsity level, and got better at handling the adversity that came its way. Loughlin finished fourth in Brooklyn-Queens, reached the diocesan semifinals, and qualified for the AA state tournament. The coach feels a lot of other teams would have liked to be in their position.

"You have to be proved."

"You have to be proud of yourself and build off what you did and get better," Williams said. "We'll be ok. Mark my words. We'll be ok."

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NOTICE OF SALE SU-PREME COURT COUNTY KINGS 0F Deutsche Bank National Trust Company as Trustee on behalf of HSI Asset Securitization Trust 2007-NC1, Plain-Rawner, rence; et al., Defen- upon

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undersigned Referee will sell at public auction in pose. Room 224 of Kings Supreme County Court, Adams Street, Brooklyn, New York 11201 on April 10, 2014 premises 2:30PM, known as 9805 Flatlands Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11236 All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of County οf Brooklyn, Kings, City and State of NY Section 24 Block 8186 Lot 8. Approximate amount of judgment \$696,056.26 plus interest and costs Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 15096/08. Sol Needle. Esq., Referee Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC At torney(s) for the Plaintiff 250 Mile Crossing Boulevard, Suite One, Roches-NY 14624 (877) 759-1835 Dated: February 26, 2014 1084007 3/7. 3/14

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3/21, 03/28/2014

The Board of Trustees Hebrew Academy Charter School will meet on Thu., 3/20 at 6:30 PM at 1340 E. 29th St., Brooklyn, NY. The meeting is open to tion or its board, and the public.

LEGAL NOTICE

152 **EAST 53RD** STREET, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New (SSNY) 01/10/2014. 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, 152 East 53rd Street, Brooklyn, NY 11203. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

LEGAL NOTICE

157, LLC, a domestic LLC, filed with the SSNY Corporation on 1/6/14. Office location: Kings County. SSNY whom process

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Judgment of Foreclosure served. SSNY shall mail process to David Marom, vember 18, 2014 I, the 53 Broadway, Brooklyn, NY 10249. General Pur-

LEGAL NOTICE

456 OVINGTON REALTY LLC, a domestic LLC, filed with the SSNY on 11/25/13. Office location: Kings County. SSNY is designated as agent whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to The LLC, 456 Ovington Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11209. General Purpose.

LEGAL NOTICE

647 **FAILLE** REALTY LLC. a domestic LLC. filed with the SSNY on 1/30/14. Office location: County. SSNY is Kings designated as agent whom process upon against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to The LLC, 320 Roebling St., Ste. 702, Brooklyn, NY 11211. General Purpose.

LEGAL NOTICE

87 WYTHE HOLDING LLC Art. Of Org. Filed of State of NY Sec. Off. 1/2/2014 SSNY Loc.:Kings Co. designated as agent whom unon process against it may be served. SSNY to mail copy of process to The LLC. c/o James Wiseman, 217 Havemeyer Street, 4th Fl., Brooklyn, NY 11211. Purpose:Any lawful act or

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Adelaide Raleigh Productions LLC Arts of Org. filed NY Secy of State (SSNY) 11/22/13. Office:Kings Co. SSNY design. agent of LLC upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy to 105 Ashland Pl. #14E Brooklyn, NY 11201. Purpose: any lawful activity

LEGAL NOTICE

ΔΡΡ FOR AUTH for SUNRISE CONSTRUC-**TION, LLC** App for Auth SSNY filed with 02/03/2014 LLC. Registered in Delaware on Off. 09/05/2013 Loc.: Kings Co. SSNY designated

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may be served SSNY to mail copy of process to The LLC. 155 Noble Street, #101. Brooklyn. Street. Brooklyn, NY NY 11238. Purpose: Any 11222. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity. lawful act or activity.

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Bonolo. LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/13/14. Office in Kings Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 9949 Shore Rd Apt. 302, Brooklyn, ŃΥ 11209. Purpose: General.

LEGAL NOTICE

Brooklyn Heights 78 LLC, Arts of Org filed with SSNY on 11/05/13. Office Location: Kings County, SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. shall mail a copy of process to: C/O The LLC, 78 Clark St., Brooklyn, NY 11201. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act.

LEGAL NOTICE

COOPERSTP, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 10/02/2012. Office loc: Kings County. SSNY has been designated as whom upon agent process against the LLC SSNY may be served. shall mail process to: Street, 247 Cooper Brooklyn, NY 11207 Purpose: Lawful Any Purpose.

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CROPSEY PROPERTIES LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/06/2013. Office loc: Kings County, SSNY has designated been agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 199 Lee Avenue, Ste 182, Brooklyn, NY 11211. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

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CROWN FINISH CAVES LLC Art. Of Org. Filed State of NY Sec. of 01/31/2014. Off. Loc.: Kings Co. SSNY designated as agent upon as agent upon whom process against it 11213. # dant(s). Pursuant to a against the LLC may be whom process against it may be served. SSNY to lawful act or activity.

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LEGAL NOTICE

HAIRWEATHER LLC, a domestic LLC, filed with the SSNY on 3/25/13. Office location: County. SSNY is designated as agent whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o United States Corporation Agents, Inc. 7014 13th Ave., Ste. 202. Brooklyn, NY 11228. General Purpose.

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HOLMES MECHANICAL SERVICES, LLC Art. Of Org. Filed Sec. of State of 01/28/2014. SSNY Loc.:Kings Co. designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY to mail copy of process to The LLC, 9301 Ditmas Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11236. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity.

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Image and Art LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 01/16/14. Off. Loc.: Kings Co. SSNY desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 15 Calder Pl., Apt. 3-A, Brooklyn, NY 11215. General Purposes.

LEGAL NOTICE

KINGSTON AP, LLC Art. Of Org. Filed Sec. of State of NY 01/16/2014. Off. Loc.: Kings Co. SSNY designated as agent unon whom process against it may be served. SSNY to mail copy of process to The LLC, 383 Kingston Avenue, 286. Brooklyn. NY

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MAROVATO IMPORTS, LLC, а domestic LLC, filed with the SSNY on 1/13/14. Dept. location: Kings SSNY is designated against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to The LLC, 108 Dobbin St., Brooklyn, NY 11222. General Purpose.

LEGAL NOTICE

MCNALLY JACKSON FAYAWAY, LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY 01/24/2014. Office loc: Kings County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Sarah McNally - McNally Jackson Books, LLC, 52 NY St., NY, 10012. Reg. Agent: Sa-McNally-McNally Jackson Books, LLC, 52 St., NY, NY 10012. Lawful Purpose.

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(SSNY) 2/26/14. Office:Kings Co. SSNY upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy to 1101 Broadway Brooklyn, NY 11221. Purpose: any lawful activity.

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Name of LLC: Optml Ventures LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State: 1/27/14. Office loc.: Kings Co. Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: Business Filings 187 Wolf Rd., Ste. 101. Albany, NY 12205, regd. any lawful act.

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CROWN, LLC Norfolk Group LLC Arts whom process against it NOTICE OF FORMATION NOTICE OF FORMATION of Org. filed NY Secy of may be served. SSNY of limited liability compa-State 01/28/2014. Office:Kings Co. SSNY de- princ. office. Purpose: Organization filed with sign. agent of LLC upon Any lawful activity. whom process may be served and shall mail copy to Baudoin Lorans, 41 Pierrepont Street #4, Brooklyn, NY 11201. Purpose: any lawful activity

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ITALIAN Notice of Formation of 150 Greenpoint LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY of State on 12/27/13. Office location: Kings County. Sec. as agent of State designated agent whom process of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: Vincent L. Brunhard, Jr., 4718 243rd St., Douglaston, NY 11362, principal business address. Purpose: any lawful ac-

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Brooklyn Peace, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State on 8/8/13. Office location: Kinas County. Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: The LLC, 157 Fifth Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11217, principal business ad-Purpose: Any dress. Purpose: any lawful activity.

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Megaton LLC Arts of Notice of formation of Org. filed NY Secy of COURTSTONE MANAGE-MENT LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy of State of design. agent of LLC NY (SSNY) on 3/5/14. Of-Kings fice location: County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to: 118 Baxter St., 402, NY, NY 10013. Purpose: any lawful act.

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Notice of Formation of EMPE REALTY ASSO-CIATES LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State οf NY (SSNY) on Office 02/25/14. loca-Kings tion: as agent of LLC upon lawful activity.

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process. SSNY shall mail

process to 80 State St.,

Albany, NY 12207. Pur-

pose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of formation of GATES SYSTEMS, LLC, a Arts. of Org. filed with the Secv. State of of NY(SSNY) on Office lo-01/13/2014. cated in KINGS County. SSNY had been designated for service of process. SSNY shall mail a copy of process served anv against the LLC to c/o THE LLC, 1333 Gates Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11221. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Greene Ave Employer, 2/21/14. Office location: Kings County. Sec. of Restoration Corporation, 1368 Fulton St., Brooklyn, NY 11216, principal business address. Purpose: all lawful purposes.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of KNOWMOREGAMES LLC (SSNY) on 12/16/13. Office

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(SSNY) shall mail process to the ny (LLC). Name: EDGE LLC at the addr. of its DESIGN LLC. Articles of Secretary of State of New 01/29/2014. Office location: Kings County. SSNY SSNY shall mail copy of any lawful purpose.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION of limited liability compa- **NOTICE OF FORMATION** ny (LLC). Name: GODS & of MONSTÉRS LLC. Articles company of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New (SSNY) York on limited liability company. 02/24/2014. Office location: Kings County. SSNY designated as agent of York LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of SSNY 10 Jay Street, Suite 606, Brooklyn, NY 11201. pose.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of limited liability company (LLC). Name: TIME SPACE LLC. Articles of Organization filed with **NOTICE OF FORMATION** Secretary of State of New of York (SSNY) LLC. Arts. of Org. filed 01/27/2014. Office locawith NY Dept. of State on tion: Kings County. SSNY REVOLUTION, designated as agent of Articles of Organization LLC upon whom process filed with Secretary of and shall mail process to: telski, 330 Van Brunt St., Purpose: any lawful purpose.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of limited liability company (LLC). Name: GOLDEN HARVEST MANAGEMENT LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary Arts. of Org. filed with of State of New York Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/24/2014. Office location: Kings location: Kings County. SSNY designated County. SSNY designat- as agent of LLC upon ed as agent of LLC upon whom process against it whom process against it may be served. SSNY County. may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of pro-Princ. office of LLC: c/o shall mail process to the cess to: Golden Harvest Peter Angelakos, 8203 LLC, 561 Clinton St., Management LLC, 1720 agt. upon whom process Ridge Blvd., Brooklyn, NY Storefront 1, Brooklyn, Dahill Road, Brooklyn, NY may be served. Purpose: 11209. SSNY designated NY 11231. Purpose: Any 11223. Purpose: any LLC upon whom process upon whom process NY 10003. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

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of limited liability company (LLC). Name: GOLD INDUSTRIEZ, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of on State of New York (SSNY) on 11/25/2013. Office location: Kings County. designated as agent of SSNY designated as LLC upon whom process agent of LLC upon whom against it may be served. process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Darren Gli- copy of process to: 99 Washington Shamai Goldberg, 1442 Ave., Suite 805-A, Alba- E. 9th Street, Brooklyn, ny, NY 12210. Purpose: NY 11230. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

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limited liability (LLC). Name: FACES OF THE FUTURE EARLY LEARNING CENTER, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New (SSNY) 11/08/2013. Office location: Kings County. designated as process to: Jonathan Lu, agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail Purpose: any lawful pur- copy of process to: The LLC, 5302 Clarendon Rd., Brooklyn, NY 11203. Purpose: any lawful

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limited liability on company (LLC). Name: LAZY SUSAN LLC.

State designated agent of against it may be served. State of New York (SSNY) LLC upon whom process SSNY shall mail copy of on 12/02/2013. Office against it may be served process to: William Ma- location: Kings County. SSNY designated as c/o Bedford-Stuyvesant Brooklyn, NY 11231. agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail CODY of process to: Corporation Service Company, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful

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of limited liability company (LLC). Name: JAB LO-GISTICS, LLC. Articles of New Lenox I LLC Arts. of Organization filed with Org. filed with the Sect'y County. SSNY designated nated as agent upon Secretary of State of New of State of NY (SSNY) on as agent upon whom York (SSNY) on 02/06/2014. Office location: Kings County. SSNY SSNY has been designat- process against LLC to: The LLC, 504 11Th designated as agent of ed as agent of the LLC 62 E. 1st St, Apt 1N, NY, Street, 2 L, Brooklyn, NY against it may be served. against it may be served. lawful act.

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SSNY shall mail copy of 1637 E. 95th St., Brooklyn, NY 11236. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of limited liability compa-(LLC). Name: SAD-DERDAY LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New (SSNY) on 05/20/2013. Office loca- agent of LLC upon whom tion: Kings County. SSNY designated as agent of served. SSNY shall mail LLC upon whom process against it may be served. princ. office of the LLC. SSNY shall mail copy of Purpose: Any lawful acprocess to: Brandon Jen- tivity. kins, 251 Monroe Street, Brooklyn, NY 11216. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of limited liability company (LLC). Namé: KINGS COUNTY BEATBOX LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 09/20/2013. Office location: Kings County. designated as SSNY agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: The LLC, Andrew Dresher, 262 Henry Street, Apt. 2, Brooklyn, NY 11201. Purpose: any lawful purnose.

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SSNY shall mail process Notice of Qualification process to: Omar Brown, to: The LLC, 535 Dean of 376/384 3rd Avenue St., Apt. 308, Brooklyn Parcel Brooklyn NY, LLC. NY 11217. Purpose: any lawful act.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of REMAINS REAL ES- nated agent of LLC upon TATE LLC. Art. of Org. filed w/Secy. of State of may be served and shall NY (SSNY) on 12/14/07, mail process to: CT Corlocation: Kings poration System, 111 8th Office County, SSNY designated Ave., 13th Fl., NY, NY as agent for service of 10011. DE address of process. SSNY shall mail process to 21 Belvidere Wilmington, DE 19801. St., Bklyn, NY 11206. Cert. of Form. filed with Purpose: Any lawful activity.

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RSG-SHEF 265 WEIR-FIELD LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State NY (SSNY) on 03/05/14. Office location: Kings County. Princ. office of LLC: c/o Mack Real Estate Group, 60 Columbus Circle, 20th Fl., NY, NY 10023. SSNY designated as process against it may be process to The LLC at the

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RSG-SHEF 773 HART LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 03/05/14. Of-Kings location: fice County. Princ. office of LLC: c/o Mack Real Estate Group, 60 Columbus Circle, 20th Fl., NY, NY 10023. 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. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

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Notice of formation of DEVELOP-TOPBOR0 MENT LLC. Arts of Org RICANI, LLC Art. Of Org. filed with Secy of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/26/13. 01/27/2014. Off. Loc.: Office location: Kings 1/15/2014. Office loca- process may be served may be served. SSNY to tion, County of Kings. and shall mail copy of mail copy of process to

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Federal St., Dover, DE

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Notice of Qualification of Gowanus United, LLC. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State on 1/29/14. Office location: County. Kinas formed in 11/1/13. NY Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: 2329 Nostrand Ave., 3rd Fl., Brooklyn, NY 11210, principal business address. DE address of LLC: 615 S. DuPont Hwy., Dover, DE 19901. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Sec. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE Purpose: any 19901. lawful activity.

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PETBUDDY **SERVICES** LLC Art. Of Org. Filed of State of NY Sec. 09/05/2013. Off. Loc.: Kings Co. Oscar Salazar designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY to mail copy of process to The LLC, 985 Rogers Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11226. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity.

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FAX: (718) 260- 2579, Attn: Carol Magluilo • EMAIL: Contest@cnglocal.com

MAIL: Carol Magluilo, Community News Group, One MetroTech Center North, 10th floor, Brooklyn, NY, 11201

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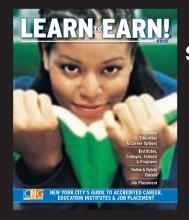
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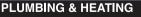
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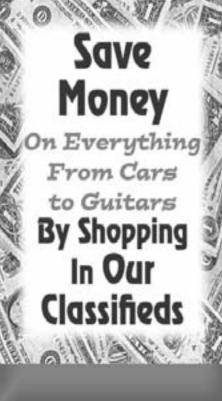
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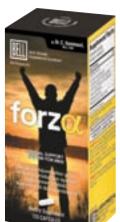


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