

In S'Park DA busts 'fake' lawyer

BY ALLEGRA HOBBS

A Sunset Park man faces up to 15 years in prison after an undercover investigation revealed he had allegedly posed as an attorney and charged thousands of dollars for bogus immigration services.

District Attorney Ken Thompson announced the indictment against Howard Seidler on June 1, stating that Seidler had swindled undocumented immigrants by pretending to be an attorney providing immigration services and offering forged documents in exchange for thousands of dollars in fees.

"We will aggressively investigate and prosecute any and all con artists, especially fake lawyers, who prey on undocumented immigrants to steal their hard-earned money through fraud," said Thompson.

The allegedly bogus barrister even met prospective clients in the library on the Brooklyn Bar Association in Downtown, claiming it was his office, according to the indictment.

An undercover detective investigator from the District Attorney's Office met with Seidler pretending to seek immigration services, and was given a Social Security card that was allegedly forged. The investigation found that the Social Security number on the card did not belong to the name used by the detective and that the immigration paperwork given to him by Seidler was never filed with federal immigration authorities.

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POLY SHOCKER



Dogs have their day

Maryanne and Joe Alesci bring their boxers Bagel and Butter for a free ride on the Wonder Wheel during the annual Pet Day at Deno's Wonder Wheel on May 30. For more on the fun, [see page 2](#).

Photo by Georgine Benvenuto

Lawsuit: School official took kids boozing in Cuba

BY MAX JAEGER

Call it an out-of-left-field trip.

An administrator at Poly Prep Country Day School took a group of pupils on a trip to Cuba where he provided them with booze, Cuban cigars, and hookers while he scouted out a private investment opportunity — all on the Dyker Heights school's dime — a lawsuit alleges.

"[Fund-raising director Steven] Andersen paid a prostitute to entertain students as a 'rite of passage,' and drank alcohol to excess and smoked Cuban cigars with them," a lawsuit filed by school employee Lisa Della Pietra claims. "Andersen later admitted to [Della Pietra] that the true purpose of the Cuba trip was to scout an investment opportunity ... that would materialize after the lifting of the U.S. trade embargo on Cuba."

The suit, filed on May 28 in Brooklyn Supreme Court, identifies one of the students on the late-2012 trip as "the son of a famous musician and Poly supporter." Rocker Jon Bon Jovi's son Jesse attended the school at the time, according to media reports. Andersen's own son also allegedly took part in the trip.

When Della Pietra reported Andersen — her direct supervisor — for his alleged indiscretions, the school failed to protect her identity, and Andersen retaliated by bullying her family, the suit alleges.

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PARTY ANIMALS

Coney pet costume contest draws dogs by dozen, Dick Zigun impawsonator

BY MAX JAEGER

A pack of two dozen pooches and a rat named Betty strutted their stuff on the Boardwalk during Deno's Wonder Wheel's annual Pet Day costume contest on May 31.

And one hound came dressed as Coney Island's own top dog — unofficial mayor Dick Zigun. The clever costume was a no-brainer, said its creator.

"I really like the Mermaid Parade, and I find Zigun to be an interesting character, so I thought it would be interesting and Coney Island-related," said Jenny S., who will also be judging the mermaid-themed march down Surf Avenue and the Boardwalk on June 20.

So she dressed Snickers, her miniature Australian Shepherd, in full Dick Zigun regalia — including a black tank top, bowler's hat, shades, and a Tilly-embazoned drum just like the one Coney Island's unofficial mayor beats while leading the annual Mermaid Parade.

After seeing a photo of the dog on Twitter, Zigun invited Jenny for a beer at Coney Island USA.

But the pint-sized parade paragon took second place in the contest.

The judges — Ferris wheel magnate Diane Vourderis, burlesque dancer Angie Pontani, and Councilman Mark Treyger (D-Coney Island) — gave top honors to Paquito, a Chihuahua dressed up like a police patrol car.

The dog's owner said he wanted to inject a bit of levity to reduce the recent tensions between police and locals.

"With all the situations happening with police and civilians and shootings,



MERMAID PAW-RADE: (Clockwise from top) Jenny S. and Snickers won second place for their dogged impersonation of Boardwalk impresario Dick Zigun, complete with tiny bass drum like the one Zigun beats when he leads the annual Mermaid Parade. Erin Samuelsen kisses third-place winner Betty, dressed as Tinker Bell. Kevin Serrano's chihuahua Paquito won first place for his NYPD patrol car costume. Photos by Georgine Benvenuto

I thought I'd make something to liven up the situation," said Kevin Serrano of Queens, Paquito's owner.

Erin Samuelsen and her pet rat Betty, who came dolled up as Disney fairy Tinker Bell, took third place.

It was Serrano's third victory in the contest since 2003, he said. He didn't expect a win this year, but the field left a bit to be desired, he said.



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GIVETH AND TAKETH AWAY: (Top left) Dewey High School student Daniel Arueta dumps a bucket full of garbage he collected into a trash bag during It's My Estuary Day in Kaiser Park on May 30. (Top right) High-schooler Uriel Aracena gets ready to plant oysters – shellfish that help clean the water – in Gravesend Bay. (Below) Nicholas Garcia and Natalie Johnson of Edward R. Murrow High School work together to make Kaiser Park a cleaner place. (Below right) Elijah Rosado of Dewey High School nets some sea life for an annual fish count. Photos by Steve Solomonson



Up the creek

Volunteers count sea life, clean Coney Island estuary

BY MAX JAEGER

It was a net positive.

Volunteers cleaned litter off the beaches at Kaiser Park and counted the species of fish in Coney Island Creek during It's My Estuary Day on May 30. Helpers hauled a lot of junk away, but they also left something behind — oysters.

"We seeded the creek by planting oysters loose in between rocks," said John Dewey High School science teacher Lane Rosen, who helped organize the event. "We hope it will start to form a reef and bring more fish to the creek. This is the first time in 100–200 years there have been oysters in Co-

ney Island Creek."

Oysters and other filter feeders help clean the water and are often introduced as a first step to purify fetid waterways.

More than 350 students from area high schools and 50 Department of Education staffers lent a hand cleaning the beach, catching fish for a sea life census, and seeding oysters, Rosen said.

The cleanup in particular was sorely needed, one volunteer said.

"I felt like it was infused with garbage," said Dewey student Terrence Anuku.

The kids netted and noted



SHOW AND SHELL: Don Riepe of the Littoral Society shows a rock crab to Midwood High School student Sandy Chen.

Photo by Steve Solomonson

the different types of fish in the creek, and the Dewey robotics team showed off a swimming robot it built. Cultural Research Divers taught folks about diving gear, and the Coney Island Beautification Project planted native flowers and grasses. The interdisciplinary approach was meant to get kids stoked on the often stinky body of water, Rosen said.

"It's a very important mission to take care of the creek — it's a tremendous resource that I don't think we're taking care of," he said.

Beach combers removed dozens of bags of litter, but at least one piece of trash almost became treasure, Anuku said.

"I found a boot — it could have been my size, but I decided to clean it up anyway."

City needs volunteer beachcombers

BY ALLEGRA HOBBS

The city is looking for a few good eyes — to help keep Brooklyn's waterfront safe from trash.

The Department of Environmental Protection is looking for volunteers to stroll the borough's beaches this summer and count garbage.

The Volunteer Floatables Beach Surveillance program, which runs through October, asks volunteers to dedicate 20 minutes per week to walk along the shore and record any "floatables" — that is, floating waste materials such as Styrofoam and plastic that tend to get washed up on shore.

The trash census helps the city target beaches for cleanup. Organizers say the program is thriving and their hard work is paying off.

"It seems to be going really well," said Robert Gans, who founded the program in 1998.

"It's exciting to see the progress from year to year, particularly in places like the Rockaways and Staten Island that have been rebuilding from Sandy."

Program volunteers are passionate about keeping their beaches clean, usually returning year after year to patrol for debris, often on the beaches they call their own.

"These people are really committed," said Gans. "They're committing themselves to go out every week and monitor. I try to give them a place where they would frequent anyway. I want them to come back next year and the year after."

The program arms the trash monitors with a checklist that includes a dizzying variety of flotsam, such as bottles, diapers, and tires, but also light sticks, crack vials, syringes, and condoms. But

Gans is quick to point out that program volunteers are just reporting the presence of garbage, not picking up the trash themselves. The city organizes beach clean-ups based on the data collected by the floatables surveillance program.

The program is always in need of newcomers to monitor more shorelines. Gans said that Gowanus, Coney Island, and Manhattan Beach in particular need extra hands, but there can never be too many in any one place.

"We could always use volunteers," he said. "Wherever we can get volunteers, it's an extra set of ears and eyes for the city."

To volunteer, contact Robert Gans, program manager for the Volunteer Beach Floatables Program, via e-mail at ozonellayerllc@me.com or via phone at (212) 889-4216 or (917) 658-2380.



FLOATING IDEAS: Program coordinator Robert Gans, in cap, trains aspiring floatable counters over Memorial Day weekend. Peggy Wurm



Students salute veterans

BY MAX JAEGER

Give these kids an "A" in patriotism.

Students at PS-IS 204 took some time from their school day to honor veterans during the Bensonhurst school's annual Salute to Veterans on May 29. Kids showed the perfect level of patriotism and respect, one attendee said.

"I went World War II — the occupation, the liberation, all

that — so I'm not crazy about war, but this was beautiful," said Herta Tortora, a Bavarian-born Sunset Parker whose husband served during World War II. "I think it's wonderful to see so much patriotism, and mentioning god and country is so beautiful — you don't hear that any more."

Now in its 11th year, the annual salute grew out of the school chorus's regular re-

cital. Kids took up a patriotic theme in their recital more than 10 years ago, and the songs were so moving, the faculty decided to invite veterans to enjoy the music.

"When we saw it, we said, 'This has to go somewhere — it's beautiful,' so we invited the veterans," said pre-K teacher Kathleen Conlon.

Korean War veteran Joseph
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE: (Left) A platoon of students keeps veteran Henry Tortora company during the ceremony at a PS-IS 204 party honoring U.S. combat veterans. (Above) Haley Meberg hugs her dad Peter who served as an officer in the Navy. Traditionally, students at PS-IS 204 entertain veterans every year the week after Memorial Day.

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Relay For Life

High hopes for June 6 anti-cancer event

BY ALLEGRA HOBBS

Cancer doesn't stand a chance.

The Southern Brooklyn branch of the American Cancer Society expects another smashing, cancer-bashing success from its fourth-annual Relay for Life on June 6, with hopes of surpassing last year's record-breaking \$100,000 in donations.

"We're just about positive we're going to break the numbers from last year," said organizer Joe Gillette, also known as "Zumba Daddy" for his heroic efforts to fight cancer with the power of dancercise. "Everybody's worked hard the whole year."

The event, which will join together the Bergen Beach, Mill Basin and Marine Park communities as a united front for the first time, will host activities and entertainment for all ages at the John Malone Community Center in Bergen Beach as anti-cancer campaigners rally for a cure and celebrate survivors.

There will be karaoke contests, performances by students from local schools and, of course, an instructor-led Zumba session.

Special ceremonies throughout the day will shine a light on the important work done by the American Cancer Society and its donors, and provide time to remember and honor lost loved ones. Candles lit in remembrance at the Luminaria ceremony at sunset will light the way for the branch's first-ever overnight team, who will walk af-



BIG DADDY: Joe "Zumba Daddy" Gillette, at center, predicts the June 6 Relay for Life event will raise even more money for Brooklyn cancer patients than last year's record haul. Photo by Elizabeth Graham

ter event hours.

"It's to symbolize that the fight against cancer doesn't sleep, and we won't sleep until the disease is eradicated," said Gillette, who will continue walking from 1 am to 6 am with other overnight crusaders.

The money raised will help provide immediate aid to local cancer patients and their families, keeping the fight close to home.

"All the money we raise stays local," said Gillette. "It's Brooklyn people raising money for Brooklyn people."

Relay for Life at the John Malone Community Center (2335 Bergen Ave. between Avenue W and Avenue X in Bergen Beach, relayforlife.org/bergenbeachny). June 6, noon to midnight. Free, donations welcome.

Senior volunteer saluted

BY ALLEGRA HOBBS

A Brighton Beach senior who loves to lend a hand was honored at an event celebrating senior volunteers last week.

Frances Schwartz was one of eight seniors recognized for their service to the community at the Outstanding Senior Volunteers Celebration hosted by the Brooklyn-wide Council for the Aging at Borough Hall on May 27. She received a citation for her service from Borough President Adams, and also received a certificate from state Sen. Diane Savino (D-Coney Island).

"It was beautiful," said Schwartz. "I was very thrilled to be honored."

Schwartz says that she loves volunteering, and often helps out with police events such as National Night Out, held the first Tuesday of August, and the annual NYPD Unity Showcase Festival in Prospect Park. She also volunteers to hand out candy to hundreds of kids at the 61st Precinct Halloween Party.

"Whenever someone needs help, I'm always there to volunteer," she said. "I enjoy helping people, especially the 61st Precinct — they're very good to me."



OUTSTANDING SERVICE: Brighton Beach senior Frances Schwartz is honored by Borough President Adams as an outstanding senior volunteer. Photo by Georgine Benvenuto

Schwartz volunteered at the refreshments table at Bayfest for the first time this year, and said she had such a great time she plans to do it again next year.



BWECC-TAGULAR!

BY MAX JAEGER

They got their groove BWECC.

Members of the Bensonhurst West End Community Council took a break from their perennial battle to improve Gravesend, kicking up their feet and having a little fun during their annual dinner-dance at Mill Island's El Caribe on May 27.

More than 250 neighborhood crusaders celebrated the

club's 54th anniversary, cut a rug, and honored some locals for making Southern Brooklyn a better place. Recipients were truly moved, one honoree said.

"It was exciting — a very humbling award," said PS-IS 226 principal Matthew Barone, who was declared BWECC's "Man of the Year."

"I was very touched by receiving it. It was a fantastic evening — a great event by

the BWECC. Fun was had by all."

Folks came for the honorees, but they stayed for the nosh, according to Bensonhurst West End Community Council president Carmine Santa Maria, who celebrated his 35th year as the organization's president.

"We had a gigantic cocktail hour — wall-to-wall hot plates," said the beloved Cou-

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HE'S THE MAN: (Above) PS-IS 226 assistant principal Matthew Barone revels in the "Man of the Year" award he received at the Bensonhurst West End Community Council's annual Gala at Mill Basin's El Caribe on May 27. (Center) BWECC president Carmine Santa Maria and his lovely wife Sharon look dapper as ever. (Left) Councilmen Vincent Gentile, at left, and Mark Treyger, at right, present our beloved columnist with a proclamation a certificate from the Council for the work he does — in print and in screeches — for the community. Photos by Steve Solomonson

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Front-door fiend

A brazen burglar walked right into the front door of an Eighth Avenue home and stole cash and electronics on May 24.

The thief entered into the home between Bay Ridge Avenue and 70th Street sometime between 2 and 11 pm, police said. He took \$800 and an iPad, a police report states.

Apartment trashed

A puerile prankster ransacked a Sixth Avenue apartment on May 29.

The rake rummaged through the apartment between 67th and 68th streets in Bay Ridge at noon, police said. The victim said nothing was taken, officials said.

Door-buster

A brute bashed in a front door on a 66th Street home and took a bunch of electronics sometime between May 28 and May 29.

The burglar broke into the home between 13th and 14th avenues between 7 pm on May 28 and 7 pm the following day, police said. He took four cellphones, an iPad, and a purse valued at a total \$2,250, a police report states.

Wallet grew legs

A sneak stole a woman's wallet in a Third Avenue market on May 25.

The victim left her billfold in her shopping cart in the store between 74th Street and Bay Ridge Parkway and walked away for a moment, but when she came back, the change purse was gone, police said.

62ND PRECINCT

BENSONHURST-BATH BEACH

Inquisition

Two holier-than-thou hotheads knifed a guy and his friend on 63rd Street on May 31 because they didn't like his rosary beads.



The pious victim and his buddy were between 24th Avenue and Dahill Road in Gravesend at 5:15 am when two guys in their mid-20s — one wearing a Yankees jersey — picked a fight with the guy over his Catholic prayer beads, police said.

The argument escalated when one of the heathens pulled a knife, stabbing the rosary owner in the head, arm, and chest, and knifing his friend in the ear, a police report states. Both victims went to Lutheran Medical Center for treatment, officials said.

Slugger cuffed

Cops arrested a 17-year-old who they said beat an Avenue S shopkeeper with his own baseball bat on May 27 — before turning on an elderly man.

The kid came into the store between W. Ninth and W. 10th streets in Gravesend looking for rolling papers at 10:15 pm, but he quickly became agitated and threw a box of candy at the clerk, police said.

The shopkeeper threatened the youth with a baseball bat, but the kid allegedly took it and smacked the man in the head, according to a police report. Then, police charge, the suspect also bashed a 71-year-old man who was using the cash machine.

Batter familias

A wannabe Robin Hood mugged a guy on 18th Avenue on May 29, but apologized saying he needed the dough to feed his family.

The victim told cops he was near 76th Street in Bensonhurst at 11 am when the pugilistic provider approached him said "I need money for my family" — then socked the

guy in the gut and took a necklace and wallet containing \$600, police said.

He fled on 76th Street toward 17th Avenue, officials said.

Gunpoint robbery

Two rogues with a revolver robbed a guy on Highlawn Avenue on May 27.

The pair sandwiched their victim between Seventh and Eight avenues in Gravesend at 12:30 am, police said. One guy pointed a long-barreled revolver at the victim's head while the other took \$20, credit cards, and a public benefit card from the guy's pocket, officials said.

The gunman told the victim "Stay here or I will kill you," and then fled on W. Eighth Street toward Avenue S, a police report states.

Gr-easy money

A thief took \$2,000 from a meat delivery truck on 86th Street on May 27.

The delivery man left the truck between 25th Avenue and Bay 40th Street in Bensonhurst to drop off some vittles at 12:30 pm, and when he came back, he found that someone had busted open the driver's-side door and taken the cash, police said.

60TH PRECINCT

CONEY ISLAND-BRIGHTON BEACH-SEAGATE

Stick to it

A gaggle of goons took a teen's headphones on Shell Road on May 27 — then smacked him with a stick when he tried to get them back.

The kid was between Shore Parkway and Avenue Z at 6:30 pm when five other teens surrounded him and took his headphones, police said. The victim followed his robbers, so they attacked him with a stick, a police report states.

Hallway heist

Two rakes robbed a guy at gunpoint on the second floor of a W. 25th Street residence on May 28.

The pair of punks confronted the victim in a second-floor hallway in a building between Surf and Mermaid avenues at 6:20 pm, police said.

One guy whipped out a gun and ordered the victim to the ground while the other took the guy's bag, which contained clothes and \$100, a police report states.

Under the Boardwalk

A brazen beach-comber robbed a guy at gunpoint under the Boardwalk in the early morning of May 31.

The victim was near W. 15th Street in Coney Island at 5:45 am when gun-toting goon ordered him beneath the historic walkway and took \$700, police said.

— Max Jaeger

61ST PRECINCT

SHEEPSHEAD BAY-HOMECREST-MANHATTAN BEACH-GRAVESEND

Pain in the neck

A vicious villain grabbed a woman by the neck before filching her cellphone on Avenue V on May 29, said cops.

The victim was near Nostrand Avenue on her way home from the gym at 9:40 am when the low-life grabbed her neck from behind and forced her to the ground as she struggled.

The perp threatened, "Give me your bag, I have a gun," and took the woman's cellphone from her purse, cops reported. No firearm was displayed. Authorities say the perp fled on foot.

— Allegra Hobbs

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LIGHT UP THE NIGHT: Members of the new Brooklyn Nightlife and Restaurant Coalition stand with Borough President Adams at its announcement on May 27.

Photo by Jason Speakman

They love the Bklyn nightlife

Restaurateurs, bar owners form advocacy group

BY DANIELLE FURFARO

They're lowering the bar to raise the bar.

Borough President Adams will chair a new alliance of restaurant and bar owners that aims to help eateries and nightlife venues obtain liquor licenses and building permits more easily and avoid spats with neighbors. The Brooklyn Nightlife and Restaurant Coalition will grease the wheels of community consultation by installing its members on community boards and encouraging them to communicate more proactively with residents, said its organizer.

"Our industry is plagued with stories of conflict, confusion, and miscommunication, and we want to change that into a narrative of cooperation," said coalition head Dave Rosen, who is the owner of Williamsburg bar the Woods, which previously had to scrap its plans to expand its backyard garden after neighbors complained about late-night noise.

The coalition — whose members include concert promoter Jake Rosenthal, Jamie Wiseman of Williamsburg dance club Output, and Vanessa Rimando from Roberta's Pizzeria in Bushwick — aims to replicate Brooklyn Allied Bars and Restaurants, which a group of Williamsburg and Greenpoint establishments started a few years ago. The over-arching board, helmed by Adams — who ultimately appoints all community board members — will help form smaller, similar groups in neighborhoods such as Sunset Park, Park Slope, and Bay Ridge, which can better respond to each community's unique demands, said Rosen.

"There are different issues in each neighborhood, so we need to take a hyper-local approach," he said.

The alliance also aims to improve relations between the hospitality industry and the city agencies they must appease to get their licenses and permits,

and which routinely ticket small businesses for health code and other minor infractions, said Adams.

"We cannot continue the culture of taxation through citation and adversary relationships with city government," said Adams, who launched the coalition at Borough Hall last Wednesday. "We want to find ways to create a symbiotic relationship."

Adams said more bars and eateries will mean more jobs for Brooklynites and more tourists visiting the borough.

One member of Community Board 1, which serves Williamsburg and Greenpoint, welcomed the news, saying it may help stop knee-jerk reactions to new or expanded venues.

"What usually happens is the signs go up on the doors and then we all react without any information," said Rob Solano, who is a member of Community Board 1's liquor license review committee. "Any communication we can get beforehand would be a huge help."

But some locals say they fear the coalition's members will just infiltrate community boards and meetings to push their own agenda.

"They are just trying to take over the community boards so they can do what they want to do," said Sunny Chapman, a member of the Fillmore Place Historic District Association, which has spent the past couple of years adamantly opposing new bars in Williamsburg. "If they actually wanted to improve communication, they would talk to residents and actually listen to our concerns."

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COLLISION: Cops investigate the scene where a pedestrian was struck by a driver at Bay Street and Cropsey Avenue. The victim was in critical but stable condition when he was transported to Coney Island Hospital, officials reported. Photo by Steve Solomonson

Pedestrian struck

BY ALLEGRA HOBBS

A Gravesend man was critically injured on May 30 when a driver struck him at Bay 54th Street and Cropsey Avenue.

Police say the victim was crossing Cropsey Avenue on Bay 54th Street when he was struck by a driver heading southbound on Cropsey Avenue at

10:40 pm. The driver remained on the scene after the incident.

The victim was transported to Coney Island Hospital in critical but stable condition

The Highway Patrol Collision Investigation Squad was called in to investigate the scene at approximately 12:30 am.

Grim ending in Gravesend

BY MAX JAEGER

One man is dead and another is in critical condition after someone shot them in the deceased's Stillwell Avenue apartment on May 26.

Police got a call at 11:17 pm reporting gunshots at a home between Avenue T and 86th Street in Gravesend, officials said. When they arrived, they found a pair of 26-year-old twins — one with a single gunshot wound to the torso and

a second with several, police said.

Paramedics took the first man to Lutheran Hospital in critical condition, a police report states. They brought the second victim to Coney Island Hospital, where doctors pronounced him dead, police said.

Officials identified the deceased as Galvin Becerra.

Police have made no arrests, and the investigation is ongoing, law enforcement sources said.

Police ask anyone with information to call (800) 577-8477, log on to www.nypdcrimestoppers.com, or text tips to 274637 and enter "TIP577." All calls are confidential.

Cops search for Q-train groper

BY MAX JAEGER

Cops are searching for the creep who copped a feel on a 26-year-old woman at the Q train's Brighton Beach Station on May 22.

The victim was exiting the station at 7:35 pm when the handsy heathen smacked and grabbed her posterior as she descended the stairs, police said.

The pervy straphanger ran up to the platform and fled on a Manhattan-bound Q train, according to a police report.

Cops believe the lug is between 22- and 29-years-old with a medium build, standing 5 feet 11 inches. He was last seen wearing a black baseball cap, a black hooded jacket, blue jeans, and black sneakers, officials said.



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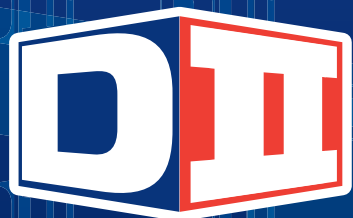
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She also claims that Andersen previously took kickbacks from school contractors and alumni seeking appointment to its board of directors — and that he tried to bribe an alumnus who threatened to bring his alleged Cuban cavorting to light, according to the suit.

Della Pietra, who graduated from the school in 1986 and began working there in 2003, is suing the 161-year-old institution for breach of contract and for failing to have a state-mandated whistle-blower protection policy.

The school has suspended Andersen indefinitely, and the chairman of the school's board of trustees Scott Smith has stepped down, according to a letter sent to alumni on June 2.

School administrators did not respond to requests for comment, but according to the suit, the school launched an investigation in 2013 that resulted in unspecified disciplinary action against Andersen. The letter also denies that students patronized prostitutes, as well as Della Pietra's other allegations.

"The school determined that at no time did either of the Poly students on the trip have sexual relations of any kind with any prostitutes in Cuba, nor was there any evidence that Mr. Andersen had ever tried to engage prostitutes on their behalf," the letter states. "The investigation also determined Mr. Andersen had exercised poor judgment in certain instances while in Cuba as a representative of Poly. [An investigator hired by the school] concluded that, while Mr. Andersen did not engage in retaliatory action against Ms. Della Pietra, his actions and managerial style were not consistent with Poly's values."

Della Pietra remains an employee of the school, but is currently on leave.

The bombshell suit ignited a firestorm from alumni. Citing a "leadership crisis," one Poly alum started a petition on Change.org demanding an independent investigation into the allegations against Andersen, and has garnered more than 350 signatures in 24 hours.

"Della Pietra's complaint is long, and the abuses it alleges are numerous and disturbing," the petition states. "The ongoing lawsuit aside, the alumni community feels that the full range of Della Pietra's allegations — from bullying to extortion — must be investigated. Determining what administration figures, if any, beyond Andersen and [Poly board of directors chairman Scott Smith] are culpable is also key."



CUBA LIBRE: Poly Prep Country Day School administrator Steven Andersen is accused in a lawsuit of taking a group of students on a trip to Cuba that included booze and hookers. Photo by Paul Martinka

Tuition at the posh, tax-exempt school runs upwards of \$40,000 a year, and its revenue exceeded \$46 million in 2012, the school's tax returns state. Of that, more than \$7 million came from donations and private grants, the document shows.

In a disturbing twist, Andersen worked for years alongside former Poly Prep football coach Philip Foglietta, who was accused in a 2009 lawsuit of molesting hundreds of boys over his 25-year tenure at the school. The 2009 suit alleged that Poly Prep covered up the abuse for decades to protect its image. The school and 12 plaintiffs settled for an undisclosed sum in 2012. The school must seriously investigate Della Pietra's allegations in light of the Foglietta case, the alumni petition states.

"[T]he school's history of obfuscation and opacity during the sexual abuse scandal involving coach Phil Foglietta are too recent to ignore," the petition states. "The mishandling of that tragedy necessitates increased vigilance."

of a forged instrument, third-degree grand larceny, and first-degree immigrant assistance services fraud.

Actual attorney Sonia Tate-Cousins of Brooklyn Defender Services will act as Seidler's defense lawyer. She did not immediately return calls for comment.

LAWYER

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Fifth Ave. fest a 'Miracle' mile

Organizer: Weather for Ridge street fair was like an act of god

BY MAX JAEGER

Nature itself bowed to Bay Ridge.

The Fifth Avenue festival went off without a hitch — despite predicted thunderstorms that held off until just after the 16-block party wrapped up.

"It was like a miracle, because they were predicting all this bad weather, and we were low on vendors, but it went beautifully and we were able to fill out the avenue," said veteran street festival organizer Chip Cafiero. "I think we had a bigger crowd because people didn't go to the beach."

The neighborhood's keynote spring festival stretched from Bay Ridge Avenue to 85th Street, bringing food, games, rides, and local and regional vendors to the avenue.

And of course, there was the pizza-eating contest at Rocco's.

Upstart Geoffrey Esper of Massachusetts won the day, wolfing down 28 slices in 12 minutes — that's three-and-a-half 18-inch pies at a pace of more than



FAIR WEATHER FAIR: (Above) Fifth Avenue was packed with pedestrians looking for food, fun, and a little sun during Bay Ridge's Fifth Avenue Festival on May 31. (Left) Ilyas, Owais, and Hanna Aljahmi enjoy some chocolate-covered pretzels. Photos by Georgine Benvenuto

two slices a minute.

It was the out-of-stater's first time in Brooklyn, and Bay Ridge apparently made a good impression.

"I've heard some bad things about New York, but the area was nice," he said.

Esper plans to use the \$700 prize to train for another famed competitive-eating contest later this year.

"I might use the money to qualify for the Nathan's hot

dog-eating competition," he said. "Those hot dogs aren't cheap. I've gotta buy 50, 60 packages of them to practice," he said.

Esper bested perennial pizza pusher David Brunelli of Philadelphia, who took runner-up for the fourth year in a row after putting away an impressive 20 slices.

"I got beat pretty bad by a newcomer, and it wasn't what I was expecting,"

said Brunelli. "I wasn't too happy with my performance — last year I did 26 [slices]. But it's always a great contest for a great cause, and I hope they keep having it every year."

Rocco's Pizza is donating the \$500 — the competition's proceeds after the cost of making the pies — to Pietro's Fight, an organization that raises money to fight Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy, named for a neigh-

borhood tyke with the rare and deadly disease, pizzeria owner Danny Loccisano said.

The driving rain steered clear of Fifth Avenue until festival-goers left at 6 pm, but Cafiero and his crew had to deal with a deluge later while they were cleaning up, Cafiero said.

"The rain came afterward during the cleanup, and we were soaked," Cafiero said. "We don't stop until it's over."

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WHAT A WOMAN!: Janet Ndzibah accepts the award for “Woman of the Year.” Husband, Kwesi, and children Maxwell and Sierra joined her for the honor, presented by BWECC president Carmine Santa Maria. Photo by Steve Solomonson

BWECC

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Courier Life columnist. “Once you go to one of my cocktail hours you don’t have to eat for the rest of the night — most of the people take their dinner home. I had the prime rib — it was so good I took two home,” the ever-hungry Santa Maria boasted.

Area councilmen

Mark Treyger (D–Coney Island) and Vincent Gentile (D–Bay Ridge) dropped by to pay their respects to the Don of Harway Terrace. “I got a slew of awards like you wouldn’t believe,” Santa Maria said. “I get all the credit, but my ladies [members of Bensonhurst West End Community Council] do all the work, so I had to give them credit.”

The other awardees were:

- Janet Ndzibah won “Woman of the Year.”
- IS 96 principal Erin Lynch took “Educator of the Year.”
- IS 228 Parent-Teacher Association president Lisa Addeo clinched “Parent of the Year.”
- District 47 committeewoman Nancy Tong was named “Humanitarian of the Year.”
- Erica Kuskin won the “5-Diamond Hospitality Award.”

VETERANS

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Schick was delighted by the performance.

“Those kids really put on a great show. It was wonderful,” he said.

Students also honored police officers from the nearby 68th Precinct. Fifth-graders sang a parody of “New York, New York,” and pre-Kindergarten kids sang a parody of “I’m a Little Teapot” for the men and women in blue, Conlon said.

The day wasn’t just for servicemen and women. Many students anticipate the day, too, one parent and vet said.

“It’s an absolutely

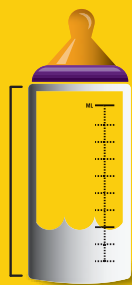


TRUE BLUE: Gabriella Cassis salutes during the Pledge of Allegiance at a PS-IS 204 party honoring U.S. combat veterans. Photo by Arthur De Gaeta

wonderful day — my daughter looks forward to the assembly every year,” said veteran Pe-

ter Meberg. “I was in the Navy for 10 years, and she likes to spread it around.”

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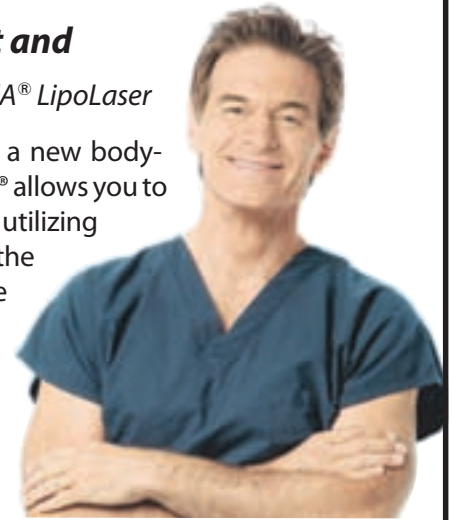
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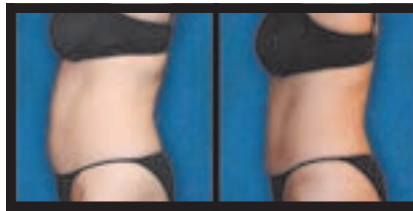
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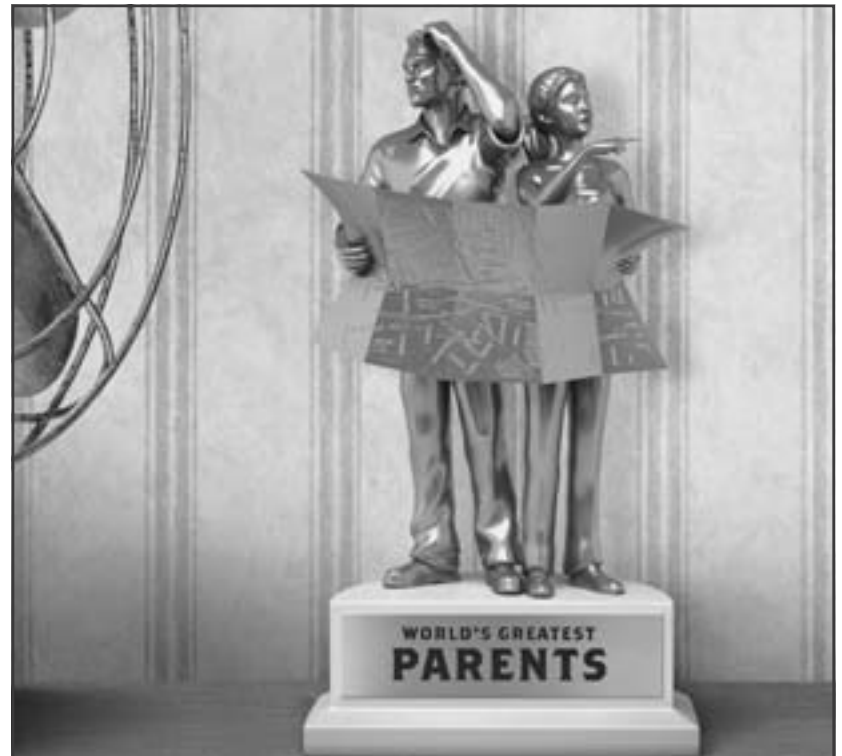
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Night moves at Aviator

BY ALLEGRA HOBBS

Part 5k run, part electronic music festival, all light-and-laser fun, the Night Nation Run touched down at Aviator Sports and Events Center on Saturday and runners had a wild time.

"It was really fun," said Kimberly Torres, a senior at Sunset Park High School. "I was going to tell my friend that I'm doing it again next year."

Neon-clad night runners plunged through the darkness from one DJ stand to another,

partying their way through an interactive course complete with light shows and bass drops. An explosive afterparty with fog machines and confetti guns awaited runners at the finish line.

"The afterparty was amazing," said Torres. "I loved it so much."

But some runners found that running in the dark can be hazardous — even with glow necklaces and neon tutus.

"It was kind of dark so people were falling all over the place," said Sylvina Guerreiro, who was running the course with three friends. "One of my friends actually got hurt."

Guerreiro says she still had a great time, and would do it again next year if the course is better illuminated and better fortified with DJs during the running portion.

"I would definitely do it again if they had more music and more lights," she said.

READY TO RAVE: (Left) Xavier Carroll is ready to go from party-mode to race-mode. (Center) Neon-clad runners hurtle through the darkness to the next electronic dance party. (Above) The running ravers revel in the afterparty. Photo by Steve Solomonson

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Filed: 9/15/14. Index No. 508448/14. Plaintiff designates **KINGS** County as place of trial Venue is based upon County in which premises are being situate **SUMMONS WITH NOTICE ACTION TO FORECLOSE MORTGAGES AS CONSOLIDATED SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF KINGS US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE FOR CMALT REMIC SERIES 2006-A7-REMIC PASS THROUGH CERTIFICATES SERIES 2006-A7**, Plaintiff, -against- **ANTHONY TORRES; LUZ ESTELLE PUENTE-TORRES A/K/A LUZ-ESTELLE PUENTE-TORRES; THE CREDIT BUREAU OF NEW YORK, INC.; CRIMINAL COURT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK (KINGS); NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; NANCY T. SUNSHINE, COMMISSIONER OF JURORS; MIDLAND FUNDING**

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assigned to CitiMortgage, Inc. herein as evidenced by written instrument dated October 13, 2006 and recorded with the Kings County Clerk/City Register on December 4, 2006 as GRFN: 2006000666942; and (b) a mortgage bearing date October 25, 2006 given by Luz-Estelle Puente-Torres and Anthony Torres to CitiMortgage, Inc. to secure the sum of \$60,877.20 and recorded as CRFN: 2006000666948 in the office of the County Clerk/City Register of Kings County on December 4, 2006; and (c) which mortgages in (a) and (b) above were consolidated to form a single lien in the amount of \$383,000.00 by consolidation, extension and modification agreement given by Luz-Estelle Puente-Torres and Anthony Torres to CitiMortgage, Inc. dated October 25, 2006 and recorded as CRFN: 2006000666944 in the office of the County Clerk/City Register of Kings County on December 4, 2006 and which mortgages as consolidated were assigned to Plaintiff as evidenced by written instrument dated May 29, 2014 and recorded with the Kings County Clerk/City Register on June 6, 2014 as CRFN: 2014000195070 covering the premises described as follows: 675 Knickerbocker Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 11221 A/K/A BLOCK 3378, Lot 5 **TO THE ABOVE DEFENDANT:** The foregoing Summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to Order the Hon. Karen B. Rothenberg a Justice of the Supreme Court, Kings County, dated Apr. 6, 2015 and filed with the complaint and other papers in the Kings County Clerk's Office, Brooklyn, NY. The relief sought in the within action is final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt secured by the mortgage described above. The Plaintiff makes no personal claim against: any Defendants in this action. HELP FOR HOMEOWNERS IN FORECLOSURE NEW YORK STATE LAW REQUIRES THAT WE SEND YOU THIS NOTICE ABOUT THE FORECLOSURE PROCESS, PLEASE

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NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS. Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Trustee for the Pooling and Servicing Agreement Dated as of January 1, 2004 GSAMP Trust 2004-FM1 Mort-

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gage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2004-FM1, Plaintiff(s), Against... Maxine Gallmon, et al., Defendant(s). Index No. 26285/2006. Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered 5/8/2014, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction in Room 224 of the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201 on 7/2/2015 at 2:30 pm premises known as 1680 Brooklyn Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11210, described as follows: ALL that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of New York, and designated on the tax maps of the Kings County Treasurer as Block 7563 and Lot 81. The approximate amount of the current Judgment lien is \$647,017.36 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment; Index # 26285/2006. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. Steven David Cohn, Esq., Referee. Leopold & Associates, PLLC, 80 Business Park Drive, Suite 110, Armonk, NY 10504 Dated: 5/11/2015.

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ADAPTING TO A NURSING HOME

Many older men and women find the transition to a nursing home somewhat difficult. Seniors tend to see a move to a nursing home as a step toward surrendering their independence, and this can be a difficult hurdle for seniors and their loved ones to overcome.

Adding to the difficulty is the fact that many move into nursing homes because their physical or mental status requires the help of a professional nursing staff, leaving family

members with little to no recourse when aging relatives protest the move. But there are ways to ease a loved one's transition into a nursing home.

Keep a positive attitude. The stress of moving an aging relative into a nursing home can be significant for all parties involved. But focusing on the positives of nursing homes, such as around-the-clock care and daily activities, can help aging relatives look at nursing homes

in a new light. In addition, family members who familiarize themselves with nursing homes will begin to see they are often great places for aging men and women to socialize with others their age while receiving the care and attention they need. When discussing the move to a nursing home, focus on these positives and your relative will be more likely to follow your lead.

Choose a nursing home that's close to home. One of the more dif-

ficult parts of transitioning to a nursing home is the notion that seniors are leaving their lives behind once they move into a home. Choosing a nursing home that's close to home and makes routine visits from friends and relatives possible enables seniors to maintain a connection to their current lifestyle. A home that is miles and miles away from a person's support system can foster feelings of isolation and loneliness.

Plan trips with your loved one.

Just because an aging relative lives in a nursing home does not mean he can no longer travel. If a relative is healthy enough to travel, include him on family trips and outings. This includes more routine events like weekly Sunday dinners, kids' sporting events, and other extracurricular activities. The more involved your aging relative is in the daily life of your family, the more likely he is to see the advantages of living in a nursing home.

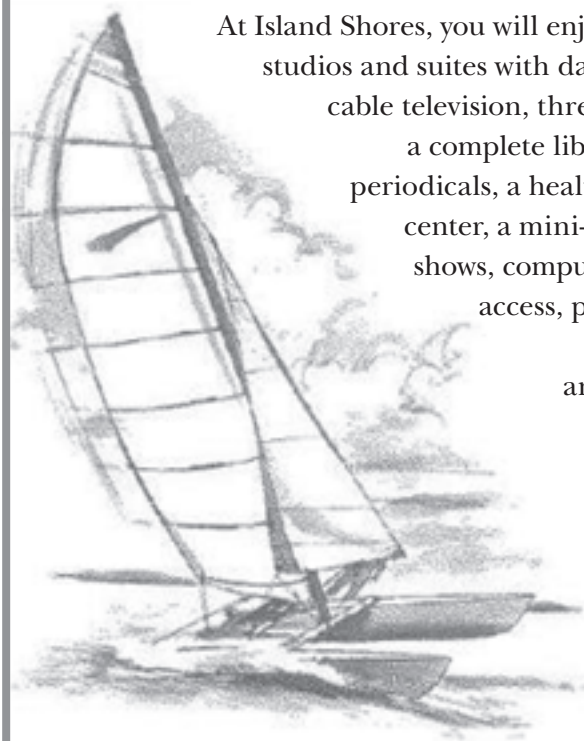


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A regular eye exam is key for seniors because some eye conditions and diseases do not show warning signs.

Regular eye exams are important for seniors

Many seniors will be glad to learn that there are steps they can take to protect against vision problems — starting with an eye exam. A regular exam is key for seniors because some eye conditions and diseases do not show warning signs.

While it is commonly known that eye troubles increase rapidly with age — particularly after age 65 — a lesser-known fact is that vision loss is also associated with a higher incidence of falls, injuries, depression and social isolation.

A regular examination

As part of an overall health-maintenance strategy, the American Academy of Ophthalmology urges seniors to have a comprehensive eye exam, especially if they have not had one in the past two years, whether or not there are symptoms.

The Academy also encourages seniors, their loved ones and caregivers to be aware of signs that indicate vision problems that require an eye exam.

These problems can include:

- Bumping into or knocking over objects.
- Stepping hesitantly.
- Squinting or tilting the head when trying to focus.
- Missing objects when reaching.
- Discontinuing everyday activities such as reading and writing.

Simple, painless eye exams are crucial in detecting an eye disease or condition in its early stages, to help preserve your sight. During the exam, an ophthalmologist — a medical doctor who specializes in eye care — will provide a diagnosis and treatment of all eye diseases and conditions.

Making eye care available

Despite medical evidence that

healthy vision plays a critical role in overall health and happiness, many older adults in the United States do not seek regular eye care or face difficulty accessing and paying for health care services.

To ensure that all seniors

Nearly 7,000 volunteer ophthalmologists are available to provide eye care at no out-of-pocket cost to qualifying seniors 65 and older through EyeCare America.

throughout the country have access to eye care services, nearly 7,000 volunteer ophthalmologists are available to provide eye care at no out-of-pocket cost to qualifying seniors 65 and older through EyeCare America, a public service program of the Foundation of the American Academy of Ophthalmology, which matches patients to volunteer ophthalmologists.

“Sight problems should not be ignored at any age, but particularly in seniors, as problems are more common in this group of patients,” said Dr. Richard P. Mills, chairman for EyeCare America. “The earlier a patient seeks medical diagnosis and treatment, the greater the chances for saving and recovering one’s vision, which contributes to overall health and happiness.”

The program is sponsored by the Knights Templar Eye Foundation with additional support from Alcon. To learn more and to see if you qualify, visit www.eyecareamerica.org.

Cognitive ability better among bilingual

Seniors who are bilingual and have spoken two or more languages since their youth may have cognitive advantages over adults who have only spoken one language their entire lives.

A new study headed by Brian Gold, a neuroscientist at the University of Kentucky College of Medicine, which was published in the journal *Neuroscience*, found that bilingualism leads to heightened mental skills. In the study, participants were divided into three groups: bilingual seniors, monolingual seniors, and younger adults. Each group was instructed to sort colors and shapes in a series of simple cognitive exercises. The researchers used a brain imaging technique to compare how well the subjects switched between mental tasks. The results indicated there were different patterns of brain activity among the groups when the tasks were being completed.

The patterns showed that bilingual seniors were able to



Seniors who have been bilingual since childhood have cognitive advantages over those who only speak one language.

switch between tasks and activate their brains in a manner closer to the younger subjects. They didn't have to expend much effort, and they outperformed their peers who were monolingual. The researchers surmised the bilingual seniors were using their brains more efficiently.

Other studies have shown bilingualism pays even more dividends, including improved cognitive function in those suffering from Alzheimer's disease. A study titled "Lifelong Bilingualism Maintains Neural Efficiency for Cognitive Control in Aging," found that even though seniors who spoke dual languages had more brain atrophy due to Alzheimer's, they were still able to function better than individuals with lower levels of atrophy who spoke one language. Researchers believe that being bilingual strengthens the brain's capacity for doing work, even if it is working at a deficit.

The jury is still out as to whether learning a second

language or moving to a foreign country as an adult can provide the same level of cognitive advantage as being bilingual from childhood. However, learning a new language can help keep the brain sharp. Many experts now believe learning a second language is no harder when you're getting on in years than when you're a child.

There are different methods to learning a new language:

- Foreign language tapes
- Grammar and vocabulary books from a child's foreign language class
- A foreign language tutor
- Vocabulary index cards
- Moving to a foreign country and learning through immersion

Bilingual seniors have distinct cognitive advantages over other people who are monolingual. Urging children to learn a new language or learning as an adult can have profound effects on mental abilities.

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More grandparents caring for grandkids

What used to be the “golden years” of life for seniors is now turning into any opportunity to spend even more time with their youngest family members. Nowadays, a growing number of grandparents are called on to provide child care for their grandkids, many of whom are growing up in two-income households. Others are helping to raise grandkids while providing financial assistance for adult children who may not be able to live on their own.

This trend has been corroborated in a few recent studies. Information from the Pew Research Center showed 7.7 million children in the United States were living in the same household as one of their grandparents in 2011. A University of Chicago analysis of a decade of data based on interviews with 13,614 grandparents, ages 50 and older, found that 61 percent of grandparents provided at least 50 hours of care for their grandchildren during any given year between 1998 and

2008. And an April 2012 study for the MetLife Mature Market Institute and the nonprofit Generations United, an intergenerational policy group, found that 74 percent of respondents provided weekly child care or babysitting service for grandkids.

Grandparents often cite helping their own children financially as well as staying in touch with grandchildren as motivating factors behind providing care. According to Generations United, staying in touch with grandkids can give seniors a feeling of self-worth and improve their overall health.

When spending so much time together, grandparents may develop special relationships with their grandchildren, who may benefit from the knowledge and wisdom offered by their elders. The following are some lessons grandparents can share with youngsters:

Empathy: By sharing stories of how things were when they were younger,



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when opportunities may have been more scarce, grandparents can help teach grandchildren empathy. Grandchildren may learn to be grateful for

the things they have and the people around them, rather than taking what they have for granted.

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Getting seniors the care they deserve

How a 76-year-old woman changed Medicare for millions of patients

BY JOANNA R. LEEFER

Sometimes all you need is one determined woman to change the lives of millions of seniors. Glenda Jimmo, a 76-year-old, blind, wheelchair-bound woman did just that; she improved Medicare's rehab policy for millions of infirmed seniors. In 2011, Jimmo filed a class action suit against Medicare after being denied rehabilitation therapy. She was informed that she was no longer eligible for physical and occupational therapy because she was not making progress with the therapy she was receiving. In rehab language, she had "plateaued."

Jimmo could not understand this reasoning. She had her right leg amputated due to complications from diabetes and was confined to a wheelchair. She required intense rehab therapy to improve her physical abilities. She knew her condition would deteriorate if she did not continue.

Thousands of rehab patients face similar situations everyday. Since Medicare's creation in 1965, it has stuck to an improvement standard policy that states once a person stops showing progress in physical, occupational, or speech therapy, treatment will stop. This policy is particularly harmful for chronically ill patients who require continuous therapy in order to maintain an optimum level of health. When their therapies are discontinued, their condition deteriorates.

Jimmo, a resident of Bristol, Vt., decided to challenge this decision and filed a class action suit against Medicare. This landmark case, Jimmo v. Sebelius, changed the lives of millions of chronically ill seniors throughout the United States. On Jan. 23, 2013, the U.S. District Court for the District of Vermont decided in Jimmo's favor. The Court ruled that nowhere in Medicare's policy manual is there a clause requiring a person to show improvement in order to continue receiving skilled treatments through Medicare. In fact, the court determined that Medicare must cover therapy services that helps a person maintain his ability to function. As a consequence of this settlement, patients with chronic conditions can now continue to receive physical and occupational treatment in and out of a rehab facility.

One woman expressed her relief upon hearing this decision. Her 80-year-old father, Sam, is in the mid-stages of Alzheimer's disease. He is

having a progressively harder time with balance and muscle control and needed physical therapy to help him with steadiness and coordination. She explains that Sam's physical therapy keeps his muscles limber. However, after a month of rehab, his therapists deemed he had "plateaued" and his treatment was discontinued. As soon as he stopped, Sam's arm muscles tightened and his arm began to contract. The therapy had helped relieve the tension in his arms and allowed him to straighten them.

"I don't know what I would do if I could not get him relief from the strain," his daughter said.

This court's decision does not mean that a patient can continue receiving physical, occupational, or speech therapy indefinitely. A person who receives rehab in a nursing home can get up to 100 days of Medicare financed therapy. The first 20 days are paid in total. After that Medicare pays 80 percent of additional therapy starting on day 21 and continuing up to 100 days. The remaining 20 percent is covered by a secondary health plan.

Upon leaving a rehab facility a person can continue to receive out-patient rehabilitation, however, it is not as intense as the treatments received in a rehab facility. In-house therapy includes two 30- to 45-minute sessions a day. A person receiving rehab at home gets the same amount of time per visit but usually gets therapy approximately three days a week.

In 2015, Medicare covers up to \$1,940 for outpatient physical and speech therapy combined, and another \$1,940 for occupational therapy. If a patient is approaching this limit and a doctor or therapist feels more therapy is required, he can tell Medicare that it's medically necessary to continue. With proper documentation from the provider, Medicare may cover additional therapy. If Medicare denies the claim, the decision can be appealed.

All the information on how much, how often, and under what conditions a person can receive rehabilitation therapy paid by Medicare is publicly available by referencing The Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services' Policy Manual on Medicare. Unfortunately, what is written and what is provided is not always the same. Even today, many rehab facilities are unaware of the Jimmo v. Sebelius ruling and

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A transient ischemic attack, often referred to as a "mini-stroke," is an event that's similar to a stroke.

When a person has a transient ischemic attack, the symptoms are just like those of a stroke, but they last less than 24 hours before disappearing. However, that disappearance does not mean a person is in the clear, as an attack is a serious warning sign of stroke.

According to the National Stroke Association, up to 40 percent of people who experience this will go on to have an actual stroke, and studies have shown that nearly half of all strokes occur within a day or two of having an attack. But even those people who do not have a stroke within 48 hours are still at risk of having a stroke. In fact, 10 to 15 percent of people who have an attack will have a stroke within three months.

Symptoms of a transient ischemic attack are sudden and may include

confusion; difficulty speaking or understanding; numbness or weakness of the face, arm or leg, particularly on

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one side of the body; vision trouble in one or both eyes; trouble walking; dizziness; or loss of balance or coordination. Interrupted blood flow to the brain is often behind an attack. A lack of blood and oxygen in the brain often leads to the temporary symptoms described above.

Should you or a loved one exhibit any of the aforementioned symptoms, seek medical help immediately, even if the symptoms feel or appear as if they are subsiding. A quick response might just prevent a full-on stroke.

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At New York Methodist, vaccinations are crucial for seniors

Vaccines are routinely administered to infants and children as protection against viral diseases to which they are particularly vulnerable. However, seniors can also benefit from vaccines. Older adults often have weaker immune systems than younger people, making them more susceptible to viruses and less able to fight those viruses off once contracted.

"After age 50, an adult's ability to fight diseases decreases, because lymphocytes [white blood cells] become more sluggish," says Emil Baccash, M.D., internist and geriatrician at New York Methodist Hospital (NYM). "Many seniors in Brooklyn are not up to date on recommended vaccines. Fortunately, it's not too late to play catch up. I stress the impor-

tance of the tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis—or Tdap—vaccine for seniors who live in a household with young children who aren't yet old enough to receive their own immunizations."

One immunization that is highly recommended for elderly patients is the vaccine against pneumonia, which often starts with the flu or other viral illness. Pneumonia infection is one of the most fatal infections among older adults.

"I particularly recommend the pneumonia vaccine for elderly people whose health is compromised," says Louis Mudannayake, M.D., chief of geriatrics at NYM. "The vaccination consists of one injection at age 65, followed by another one a year later. It's a two-step process

for a potentially life-saving immunization."

Dr. Mudannayake also stresses the importance of an annual flu vaccine—the most frequent immunization that seniors will need. This is because the flu vaccine protects against more than just influenza infection—studies have found that people who receive the flu vaccine are less likely to experience other health complications that can be aggravated by the flu, like heart disease and stroke. While the 2014–2015 flu season may seem like a distant memory, the 2015–2016 flu season is only a summer away. The flu vaccine changes annually, and vaccinations for the 2015–2016 flu season will not be available until early fall, but they should be administered as soon as possible once

they are released.

"The influenza vaccine is up to 70 percent effective at preventing hospitalization for both influenza and pneumonia," said Dr. Mudannayake. "That is why NYM physicians recommend a flu vaccine annually for seniors at any age."

NYM physicians also recommend two doses of vaccinations for hepatitis A and three doses for hepatitis B for seniors at any age if they have never contracted the illness and are at higher than average risk. Risk factors include having multiple sex partners, having close contact with an infected household member, traveling out of the country or having certain health conditions like end-stage renal disease, chronic liver disease or HIV infection. A vaccination

against shingles (the same virus that causes chicken pox) is also recommended as well for those ages 60 and up.

Those who benefit secondarily from a senior staying current on vaccinations include his or her loved ones, and anyone else with whom he or she has regular contact. This is "herd immunity" in action—reducing one's chances of becoming contagious also reduces the chance that people with whom he or she interacts will be vulnerable to the spread of the disease.

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Safety measures can help reduce bathroom injuries

Falls cause many injuries inside a home. Seniors are especially susceptible to harmful falls in the bathroom, where slippery tiles can prove too difficult for them to navigate.

A 2011 study from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention found that nearly 234,000 Americans ages 15 and older were treated in an emergency department for nonfatal bathroom-related injuries in 2008. That adds up to roughly 640 people per day. More than 80 percent of bathroom-related injuries were caused by slips and falls, mostly while getting in and out of the tub or shower, and about 30 percent of those injuries included cuts, scrapes, and bruises.

Bathrooms can be more dangerous than other rooms of the house for a variety of reasons. The bathroom is gen-

erally comprised of hard surfaces that can become slippery when wet or exposed to high humidity. A bathroom may become hotter than other rooms because of the steam that accompanies a hot shower. Heat may dilate peripheral veins and lower blood pressure in some people. This may lead to dizziness that can result in falls.

Installing safety features in the bathroom is a key way to reduce the risk of accidents. Many manufacturers have even designed these features so they blend with bathroom decor.

Nonslip mats: Having a non-slip mat on the inside of the shower or tub as well as one with a grippable surface and plush top layer on which to step after exiting the shower can reduce falls.

Bath bench: The elderly

or those prone to lightheadedness in the shower may want to invest in a bench or seat to put into the shower. This enables sitting while washing.

Safety bars: It can be tempting to grab onto towel racks or faucets to get in and out of the shower, but these items cannot provide the necessary leverage to safely move in and out of the shower or bathtub. Safety bars with a brushed surface for traction are more secure. Grab bars need to be securely attached to a wood stud in the wall and not into drywall or the tub enclosure.

Raised toilet seat: A raised toilet seat reduces the amount of squatting and the distance that has to be covered to sit on the commode. Grab bars on the raised seat itself will provide added safety.

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Family history: Grandparents can tell grandchildren about family members, including youngsters' own parents, and shed light on the generations that came before them. Looking through photos or watching old movies can provide the avenue by which to start conversations about family history and give children opportunities to ask questions.

Interests: Children may be excited about learning new

skills or hobbies taught to them by their grandparents. Anything from gardening to woodworking can be shared.

Respect: Children who grow up respecting their grandparents may have an increased tendency to respect authority figures outside their homes, which may help kids grow up to be more courteous and kind.

Grandchildren also offer benefits to their grandparents. Companionship, new experiences, and conversation can help keep grandparents' minds sharp and bodies active well into their golden years.

MEDICARE

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deny patients adequate coverage. It is important that every person be aware of his rights under Medicare. It takes people like Jimmo to challenge unsubstantiated policies like Medicare's "improvement standard" and demand their rights. And it is up to consumers like you to insure you get the amount of

care you deserve.

Joanna R. Leefer, a senior care advisor/advocate, and panel of eldercare experts speak about long-term planning at West Park Presbyterian Church (165 W. 86th St. at Amsterdam Avenue in , www.joannaleefer.com) June 16, 6-7:45 pm. Free.

Her interview on how boomers are shaking up nursing home care on WCWP, 88.1 FM, Project Independence, on June 19, 10-11:30 am.



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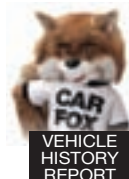
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Reader's open letter to those 'rotten squirrels'

To the editor,

This is a warning to all you rotten squirrels in Marine Park: Keep out of my flower pots! I'm sick and tired of getting up to a mess of soil all over the ground, and my flowers ruined before they even get a chance to grow.

If you are looking for nuts I can tell you I don't have them. They are not in my flower pots. What I do have are a particular set of skills. Skills I have acquired over a very long career. Skills that are a nightmare for rodents like you.

If you stop ruining my flowers now, that will be the end of it. I will not pursue you. If you don't, I will kill for you, I will find you, and I will look you. There happens to be quite a few good recipes for you guys on the internet, so watch out.

Peter G. Orsi
Marine Park

Forgotten Jews

To the editor,

Stanley Gershbein, regarding your recent column on the disproportionate number of Jews in various areas ("Is anti-Semitism just about jealousy?" It's Only My Opinion" May 1), there were and are many leading ones in statistical science.

A couple of years ago, the New York Times had an article on someone at Brooklyn College who passed away at a young age without her good work in her field becoming known, and asked readers to contribute something about relatively unknown persons who made some notable contributions.

Nine "Forgotten Heroes" were accepted and posted online, one of which was mine. All, except one, were restricted to 150 words.

David Bernklau
Canarsie

NY state of mind

To the editor,

I am patiently waiting for my grilled steak sandwich on a bench at the intersection of Third Avenue and 74th Street, messaging a new friend of mine. I'm dehydrated and hungry, as I ran a good 10 miles earlier this morning and haven't showered or changed clothes yet.

A prim, white woman in her 50s walks by, smiles and says, "Beautiful

SOUND OFF TO THE EDITOR

LETTERS AND COMMENTS FROM OUR READERS

day isn't it?" I'm lost in my thoughts, look up like a suspicious New Yorker might, and say nothing. She continues to walk and turns around for a second to say, "It's a gift."

I force a yellow smile and say, "It is!" She laughs and continues to walk. Her cackle seems to say, "I'm a more grateful person and therefore a better person than you, young man." This is my perception, at least.

Why am I moved to share this story? I relocated from Minneapolis to New York just weeks ago and already lost my corporate job. I'm keeping my chin up, meeting new folks, and taking gigs when I can get them. Please forgive me if I'm not brimming ear to ear every moment of this life. When gratitude turns to pride, I pity you.

Mark Schroepfer
Bay Ridge

Oaf-icials

To the editor,

Looks as though the veterans' affairs chief was caught with his foot in his mouth, lying about his military service, and on camera too! It is a sad state of affairs as one by one, our leaders, our so-called impartial newsmen and the people that seek the trust of the populace are exposed. Especially when they boast of experiences they never had or college degrees they never earned, though, most have an excellent B.S. in bull!

My generation was taught not to trust anyone over 30 (I'm 63 now), and my father had a saying that pretty much covered his opinion of politicians and glad handlers: "They all lie — like a rug!" As each politician is disgraced or carted away in handcuffs, it only reinforces my opinion of these leaders. Dad was only too right.

Robert W. Lobenstein
Marine Park

Corrupt pols

To the editor,

As one of the industrial nations in the world, why is it that we have the worst voter turnout when it comes to election time?

Can it be that many people are uneducated? Can it be that in other countries voters have the choice of voting for other candidates other than the main candidates running for office?

Many people complain that we have a one-party system and that they see no difference between the Democrats and Republicans. Hardly ever do we see or hear of any third party as an alternative in a major election.

The other thing that turns voters off is political corruption on an ongoing basis. Why does it seem that New York is the most corrupt in politics, especially in Albany? It's always one scandal after another in both parties.

What I would like to see is term limits, like they have in the City Council. Yes I'm aware we would lose good men and women, but I guess that's the price we pay for more responsible politicians. Wouldn't it be nice if the same thing took place in Congress, term-limiting politicians who deny climate change, take away a women's choice on reproductive rights, etc.

I wish I knew how these people lived with themselves day after day. It's no wonder voters are angry and turned off to the political system.

Jerry Sattler
Brighton Beach

OP death wish

To the editor,

Apparently, the Republican Party shares the late Charles Bronson's idea of a death wish. They have at their disposal to run on a platform of an abysmal foreign policy record of the incumbent president, and an apparent fiasco at Benghazi regarding Hillary Clinton. Instead of starting to concentrate on this, candidates Marco Rubio and Chris Christie begin to attack Medicare and Social Security, respectively.

In 1964 candidate Barry Goldwater told a group of senior citizens in July of 1964 that he wished to make Social Security a voluntary system. What boss in his or her right mind would contribute to the system if it were voluntary? Social Security would go bankrupt in no time. It was said that Goldwater lost the election on that night. Ronald Reagan knew that Social Security and Medicare are never winning issues and therefore kept quiet about them during his 1980 and 1984 campaigns.

The Republican Party shall continue to lose presidential elections until they realize that Social security and Medicare aren't punching bag issues. May I remind the GOP that senior citizens vote in elections and you are only turning them off with your diatribe against systems that so many Americans depend upon.

Ed Greenspan
Sheepshead Bay

Food for thought

To the editor,

Congress could not nominate a ham sandwich, but the Catholic country of Ireland, which has been around

for hundreds of years, voted for gay rights. In many ways we are still in the dark ages. In technology we've made tremendous advances, as in science.

There are state legislators who think they know about a women's body and how their policies are attempting to have control over each and every woman. This I find offensive and out of touch with reality. Who appointed these men to know what's right for women?

Solomon Reafalowsky
Brighton Beach

Merry-juana

To the editor,

National Pot Day on April 20 made sense. Consumption of marijuana for both medical and recreational use is part of mainstream America, transcending generations. Creative entrepreneurs will always provide the citizens' desire, regardless of government approval.

Consumers have voted with their dollars, making marijuana consumption a multibillion-dollar enterprise today. Legalize it and add a sales tax. Revenues will more than cover the costs of any abuse. Our tax dollars will be better used if police and judges spend more time prosecuting those who commit real crimes against individuals or property than going after those who consume or distribute marijuana. Citizens have more to fear from murder, arson, rape, muggings, robberies, auto and identity theft or home break-ins than individuals who get high in the privacy of their own home. Law enforcement authorities should be free to pursue those who commit real crimes against citizens and property.

At 18, you are old enough to vote, be a parent, pay taxes, own a car, take out a bank loan, serve in the military and die for your country — but not consume marijuana. This makes no sense. What consenting adults consume, inhale, perform, read or view in the privacy of their own home or private social club isn't the concern of government. Individual economic and civil liberties prosper best when government stays out of both the bedroom and marketplace.

Let us hope that we have finally learned from the obvious failures of Prohibition. It is time to permit consenting adults to access any so-called illegal products or substances without fear from government harassment.

Larry Penner
Great Neck, N.Y.

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Carmine's weight gain caused by noise

I'm madder than a cyber-war correspondent who spent months trying to figure out how identity thieves get their dirty work done only to learn that all they have to do is go on the Facebook to find out everything they need to know about everybody else just by following these knuckleheads who spill their guts to the entire world without even getting a book deal over the fact that I just learned I've been gaining weight my whole life since I moved to Harway Terrace not because I eat more and exercise less, but because I live in a noisy neighborhood!

Look, you all know the ol'Screecher has put on a pound or 200 since my days as a lifeguard at the Raven Hall pool on Coney Island, but the fact is it wasn't my fault! Apparently, moving next door to a screeching train was all I needed to make my metabolism go botzoid, causing me to put on pounds by the truckload, a new study suggests.

"The increased risk of a larger waist rose with the number of sources of noise someone was exposed to at



BIG SCREECHER

Carmine Santa Maria

the same time — from 25 percent for those exposed to only one source to nearly double for those exposed to all three sources," the Swedish scientists say.

So it wasn't all those meatballs after all!

Folks, I've told you time and time again that I had to stop that dabnubbin' noise that occurs every time the D train lurches past my pad — and now I know for sure that

it is solely responsible for the few extra dozen inches around my waist!

I'm at the point where I will never take that train to Coney Island again for a delicious Nathan's frank!

Anyways, I can't let this enlightenment get in the way of my heralding of BWECC's 54th annual gala at the fabulous El Caribe Country Club on Mill Island, where ace photographer Steve Solomonson took so many pictures of me I barely had time to stuff any of the delicious hors d'oeuvres into my mouth. (Don't fret, dear reader. I ended up getting plenty in. Plenty).

Recording Secretary Heather Fiorica took the helm of the evening's presentations, planning and activities, setting a flawless precedent for non-stop controlled speeches; then having everyone eating their main course by 8:30 (or having them wrapped to take home).

Even though there were an array of honorees that all had been fully spotlighted in this column, there were spectacular presenters that should be heralded, such as 11-year-old

Sierra Ndzibah to her mom; Joseph Soccoa to the recipient of the Cessara Soccoa Parent of the year award Lisa Addea; Councilman Mark Treyger filling in at the last minute for BWECC! Vice-President Michael Rizzotto for my presentation.

I chose Mark because we go way back when I presented him with the Project Learn Grand Prize Award at Seth Lowe IS 96 when he was a kid, and now he can hold his own against any politician anywhere and we can't wait until he dumps the bozo at City Hall so we make this city great again and not at the expense of we impoverished tax payers!

Incidentally, this tirade of ill wishes has nothing to do with the \$115 ticket we got for violating a no standing bus stop in front of 8508 18th Ave. despite my vehicle's hard-earned handicapped plates.

Of course Assemblyman William Colton made a great presentation to Nancy Tong receiving BWECC's Humanitarian Award. Just wanna mention Nancy and her son Albert were the first mother-

and-son team taking tango lessons from your's truly!

Also got to mention that the Man of the Year Matthew Barone, assistant principal of PS and IS 226, who was presented by his mentor and wonderful principal, Shirley Tannenbaum.

I started talking about Heather Fiorica, the incredible Mistress of Ceremonies that presented BWECC's first time "Five-Diamond Hospitality Award" to Erica Kuskin. Erica's 15-word "thank you" speech set the tone for rest of the presenters and recipients to "hurry up and eat, dance, and drink!

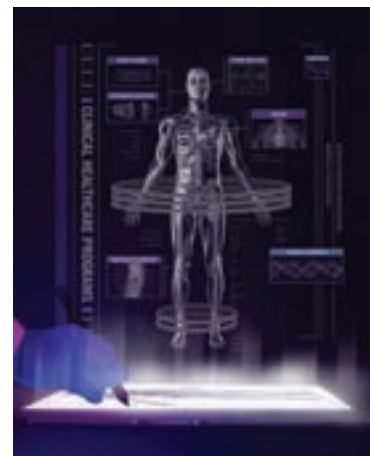
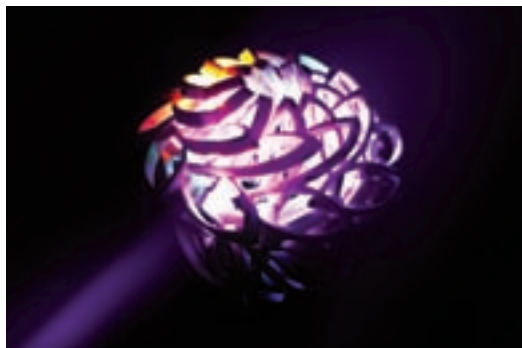
Erica, her sister Randi Garay, her nephew Eddie Garay Jr., Mary Montermarano, Linda Dalton, Sid Schatzman, Joe DiSanto, Maria DiGrazano all filled the gap of my ailing wife Sharon, just out of her sick bed.

That probably has something to do with all that train noise, too!

Anyway, thanks to all of you for a flawless gala!

Screech at you next week (but hold your ears so you don't get fat)!

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Stan's advice on wedding plans

Time flies. We just celebrated New Year's Eve, and already June is upon us.

The sixth month of the year is the month of graduations, vacation plans, and weddings. If you are thinking about being a beautiful, romantic June bride, you might want to discuss your plans stat. The first item on your list definitely concerns money.

According to MarketWatch.com, the average cost for a typical wedding in the U.S. — not counting the honeymoon — climbed to \$31,213 last year. That number is up 16 percent from only four years ago. That's a lot of scratch for a party lasting only five hours.

Here's an idea that will not set you back six months' salary and offers memories that will last a lifetime. Get married on a cruise ship. In my many sailings, we have seen brides in their wedding gowns all over the ship. Some Royal Caribbean vessels have a beautiful chapel on the top deck and the musicians, photographers, party rooms, cooks, and waiters are already aboard, ready to serve and entertain your guests, who will disembark before the ship sails.

The Norwegian Cruise Line's beautiful Getaway, based in Miami, and the line's handsome Breakaway, which sails from our backyard here in New York, offer wedding packages which include a ceremony performed by the ship's captain for only a fraction of the cost of your affair if it was held at a catering room of a New York hotel.

To the engaged couples ready to take the plunge, Carol and I wish you good luck, a happy honeymoon, and a lifetime filled with good health and happiness. Please let me know the name of the vessel and the date. We just might be aboard.

Can your son accurately throw a baseball with some speed behind it? Can he run fast? Do you know if he can hit a ball with a bat? According to an Associated Press compilation of salary and bonus data, the average player on a major league roster on opening day 2015 earns a salary of about \$4.25 million.



IT'S ONLY MY OPINION

Stanley P. Gershbein

Gentlemen, you might want to take your little guy outside and have a catch with him. You never know where there is potential.

To say "thank you" and to encourage me to send another contribution, charities from all over the United States still continue to send me sheets of return address labels. One drawer in my desk is packed with many thousands of labels. I now have enough labels to last me the rest of my life — unless I move first.

Politicians lie. Yes they do. It is unfortunate that we accept political lying as normal. Some lie a lot more than others.

Everybody knows that the biggest current liar of all just threw her hat in the ring of candidates for the presidency of these United States. Google the lies told by any politician and you will find a long list, but the former First Lady has somehow managed to tell more lies than any politician in recent times. To kosherize her untrue comments, and to soften her lies, her staff has newly popularized the word "misspoke." Yes, my friends. Volumes have been written about the Mistress of The Misspoken Word, The Princess of Prevarication, The Duchess of Deception: Mrs. Hillary Rodham Clinton.

I am StanGershbein@BellSouth.net, telling you how sad it is that Americans are on the verge of electing another major-league liar to the White House.

CAIR doesn't care about the USA

Have you participated in any formal religious training or schooling? What house of worship do you attend? Do you have any relatives or friends who have been martyred fighting in the defense of your beliefs?

The questions are reasonable enough for U.S. border officials to ask of Muslim passengers, given the world's chronic Islamo-troubles, but the Council on American-Islamic Relations — an Islamo-crony of President Obama the United Arab Emirates brands a terrorist organization — claims the inquiries racially profiled four Muslim Americans crossing the American-Canadian border in 2012, in a lame lawsuit that snubs our national security operations.

Travelers entering the U.S. routinely answer questions open to unsavory interpreta-



A BRITISHER'S VIEW

Shavana Abruzzo

tion without suing Uncle Sam, and if Muslims feel unjustly targeted they should take up the matter with the Islamo-cooks and regimes responsible for subjecting the Muslim brand to intensive scrutiny through unspeakable acts of terror and cruelty:

•An Iranian artist went on trial last week for her cartoon mocking a draft law restricting birth control for men and women — after enduring months of beatings and nine-hour interrogations by authorities of a rogue state whose largely unchecked nuclear ambitions are atoms away from being realized.

•Around 1,000 Pakistani women die annually from honor

killings in the "Land of the Pure," according to civil rights groups; among them, a pregnant woman "religion of peace" believers stoned fatally last year outside a court building.

Islamoterrorism has leapt five-fold since 9-11, states the Global Terrorism Index, which attributed most of the 18,000 deaths it recorded last year to Muslim groups, placing Islam's believers in a justifiable spotlight.

Fourteen years ago this summer oblivious Americans obsessed over "hanging chads," the Enron scandal, and a missing congressional intern named Chandra while the 9-11 hijackers plotted America's worst day. Since then, some Muslims have continued to advance and obstruct the terror war, either as jihadists or bystanders with an axe to grind against their adopted nations.

Jo gives her take on the 'Pink Tax'

Are they kidding — a Pink Tax? While getting ready to hop onto the hamster wheel and get working, I happened to hear a report about the Pink Tax — why women pay more for products than men.

Duh! Of course we do. And why? Because women fall for the crapola that advertisers spin just for our benefit. Have we learned nothing from 92 episodes of "Mad Men?"

I can't blame the advertisers — selling is their job. And the better they do their job, the more money they get. That's the name of the game.

Those very talented and devious ad-people get us to buy stuff that we don't need, don't want, and yet find an overwhelming need to purchase. We go into shopping with our heads full of visions of smoother skin, pleasant breath, shiny hair, longer nails, and luscious lips. It's not enough to be clean, we have to be super clean, sterile as a cuckoo. It's not enough to have nice hair — it has to be shinier, sleeker, and more manageable than anyone else's. And let's not talk about smelling good — we



NOT FOR NUTHIN'

Joanna DelBuono

have to be better scented, and better groomed than any other creature on the planet.

If we don't buy all this stuff we won't measure up to the standards set by the very same ad-people who convince us to buy the stuff in the first place.

Then and only then, after having our brains filled with all that subliminal messaging, do we strap on our fanny packs, lace up our battle gear and go

out in droves to pick the shelves clean of every product offered — just for us gals — that we absolutely, without a doubt, must have, need to have, and want.

Bullpucky! Women, wake up. If you want shaving gel, buy the men's brand. Believe me, after years of using my husband's, I can attest to its efficacy. If you want a decent shampoo, buy Suave® — it does the same job of cleaning your hair and it's unisex so it's a fair price. You want to splurge? Do it on healthy food, so your hair, nails, and skin can have a healthy glow from the inside that no make-up, soap, or product can improve on.

If you buy smart, look at labels, and don't jump on the advertiser's hamster wheel, you will still have shiny hair, luscious lips, and smooth skin, but your pockets will be a whole lot fuller with the cash you save.

Not for Nuthin,TM but if we fight the urge of subliminal messaging and shop smart, not mesmerized, our skin will be in the pink, our pockets full of green, and the advertisers and manufacturers will get the message when their books are in the red.

Visit from school of hard knocks

Emily Horowitz spends a lot of time with people other professors don't. Criminals. Domestic violence victims. Domestic violence perps. Sex offenders. Guys convicted of murder.

A teacher of sociology and criminology at St. Francis College in Brooklyn, she introduces her students to the same folks she is meeting in an effort to change the lives of all of them.

Horowitz is one of those people who walks the walk. Before coming to St. Francis, she got her PhD in sociology at Yale, concentrating in women's studies and decided to spend a year in Brooklyn's domestic violence court, watching as women finally got justice.

But ... *that* wasn't what she saw.

"It was just poor and unemployed men being slammed over and over," says Horowitz, a mom of four.

Horowitz agrees that if a man slapped his partner, he



RHYMES WITH CRAZY

Lenore Skenazy

should be punished, but she thought the harsh sentences she witnessed weren't designed to improve anyone's prospects.

She began to regard the criminal justice system with curiosity: How much was over-

kill baked into the system?

To find out, she started inviting convicts who had been exonerated to speak to her class. People such as Marty Tankleff, who falsely confessed to killing his parents; Jesse Friedman, notorious from the movie "Capturing the Friedmans;" and even Bernard Baran.

Who?

"Bernard was a working class, gay teenager who dropped out of high school in the late '80s because he was bullied. He started working at a day care center," says Horowitz. "But a couple went to the head of the day care and said they didn't want a 'homo' watching their son. And the day care said, 'We can't fire a person because of that.' Lo and behold, the couple alleged that Baron molested their son," says Horowitz.

Baran was found guilty and given three life sentences. The judge said that putting a gay man in a day care center

was like putting a chocoholic in a candy store — as if being a gay man and being a child molester were the same thing.

The National Center for Reason and Justice championed Baran's case, and he was finally freed after more than 20 years behind bars.

He told the class what it was like to be a gay man in prison who had been convicted of child molestation: They put cigarettes out on his head. He was beaten. He was raped more than 30 times.

As he told his story, students wept. Those tears — and those students — will go on to make a difference, Horowitz says, because many of her students go on to careers in law enforcement.

"Now they will have a much more nuanced view of the people they're dealing with," she said.

Her latest project is the just-published book, "Protecting Our Kids? How Sex Offender Laws are Failing

Us" (Praeger, 2015).

Ever the researcher, Horowitz discovered that the belief that sex offenders must be continually monitored to keep kids safe is based on fear, not fact.

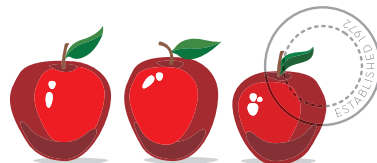
"Once people are no longer a threat, you don't have to punish them to the point where you destroy their lives," she says. "I'm not pro sex offender, I'm pro move-on-with-your-life-once-you've-been-punished."

She'll be reading from her book this Sunday night, June 7, at the Bluestockings bookstore, 172 Allen St., on Manhattan's Lower East Side, at 7 pm. Admission is free.

If you're wondering what it looks like when an academic talks the talk, walks the walk, and changes the lives of future cops and former convicts, don't miss it.

Lenore Skenazy is a public speaker and author of the book and blog Free-Range Kids.

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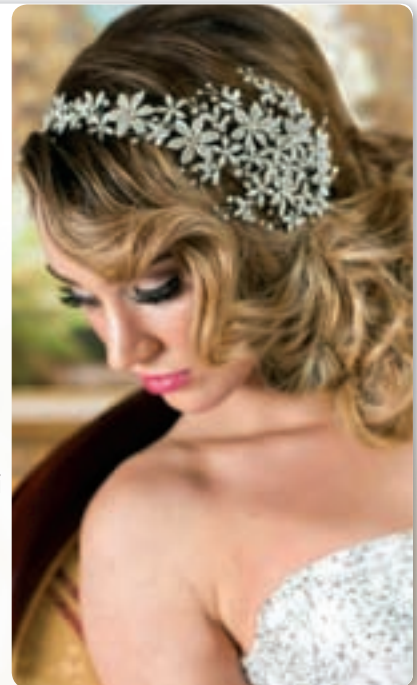
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DIGGING GREEN: Soldiers and citizens dig into the sand and break ground for the upcoming solar panel farm to be built by the George Power on Fort Stewart, Ga. Staff Sgt. Richard Wrigley

Fort Stewart wins gold for going green

HARBOR WATCH

Fort Stewart has won gold for officially being declared the best installation in the Army and is now on the cutting edge of harvesting gold from the skies.

In fact, Fort Stewart is on its way to become one of the largest producers of renewable solar energy within the state of Georgia, and is also slated to become the military installation producing the largest amount of renewable energy throughout the Department of Defense.

The Army and Georgia Power, in collaboration with the General Services Administration, the Georgia Public Service Commission, and the U.S. Army Office of Energy Initiatives, broke ground on one-third of the Army-Georgia 3x30 endeavor in Georgia on May 15.

According to Georgia Power's website, the 3x30 project refers to three separate solar generation arrays being built by Georgia Power on Fort Stewart, Fort Benning, and Fort Gordon, the three major U.S. Army installations within the state.

The solar farms are expected to be capable of producing roughly 30 megawatts of electricity each. After their estimated time of completion

around the end of 2016, the solar arrays are expected to be the largest of their kind on any Department of Defense installation.

This power is not just for the Army though. The generated power will flow to Georgia Power, and then back out to all its consumers, on and off post.

"This is not just going to benefit Fort Stewart ... this is really about everybody who consumes through Georgia Power," said Brig. Gen. Jim Blackburn, commander, Task Force Marne, 3rd Infantry Division, as he spoke at the groundbreaking ceremony.

While the facilities will indeed do much to help the residents of Georgia, they will also go a long way to help the Army achieve a mandate set forth by the president of the United States.

"The president of the United States challenged the United States Army [in generating] one gigawatt of renewable energy from throughout the Army installations by the year 2025, and this one step ... will go along way in making that happen," Blackburn said. "The Army always accomplishes its mission, and this will be no different in our pursuit here."

Thanking the military

Free museum admission for families

HARBOR WATCH

Service members and their families can visit more than 2,000 museums across 50 states, Puerto Rico, and American Samoa, at no charge, from Memorial Day through Labor Day, as part of the Blue Star Museums program.

The program, in its sixth year, is the result of collaboration between the National Endowment for the Arts, Blue Star Families, and the Department of Defense.

This year's Blue Star Museums program kicked off on May 20, at The Phillips Collection, a private museum in Washington, D.C. Ellyn Dunford, wife of Marine Corps Commandant Gen. Joseph Dunford, said visiting museums can have long-range effects.

"Museums celebrate tolerance and freedom, teach respect for cultural differences, facilitate a sense of individual and collective identity and power through knowledge, and nurture an understanding of our connections to the world and each other," she said. "Military families spread messages throughout the world as they change duty stations ... and they eventually leave the military and go back to our communities and bring with them that wealth of knowledge and experience."

In 2010, Dunford hosted the first Blue Star Museum event in San Diego.

For 12-year-old Ava Smith, a painter, it was a special treat to attend the 2015 kick-off of the Blue Star Museums program in the nation's capital. Ava's mother is Army Lt. Col. Paula Smith, health director for the Army's Soldier for Life program.

During a tour of The Phillips Collection, Ava was asked by the museum's curator to dissect Vincent van Gogh's "The Road Menders" painting. She said her interaction



ART'S THE THING: Army Lt. Col. Paula Smith and her daughter, Ava, 12, listen to the curator at The Phillips Collection, a Blue Star Museum, describes Vincent van Gogh's "The Road Menders." Shannon Collins

with the museum staff gave her a different perspective of the painting. Paula said she was proud to hear Ava's interpretation of the artwork.

"This just shows me how grown up she's getting," she said, her face lighting up. "This is just the tip of the iceberg as far as enjoying museums together. With the military, we have to carve out that time with our families, and I can't think of a better venue in which to spend time with my family. I'm so happy to be here with her."

Ava said that above all, the most important part of having participated in the museum event was that she was able to do it with her parents.

"It's an honor to be able to go to a museum and have the privilege to go," Ava said.

"It's nice to be here with my mom and to share my painting with her and my dad. It's nice to spend time with my parents, especially in museums. I get a lot out of it, and I learn a lot."

Ava said that she and her family had already visited a Blue Star Museum in Massachusetts, called the New Bedford Whaling Museum.

"We enjoyed it; it was fun," she said.

Paula said they are going to Boston in a few weeks, and they are already signed up to visit Blue Star Museums there.

"There are a lot of activities to do this summer and some of them, you don't get a chance to really connect with your kids," Paula said. "When we go to a museum, everybody is going there with the family, looking at the paintings and talking about the different pieces and what it means. We're conversing; we're discussing; we're appreciating each other's views. It's a great way of introducing cultural diversity and understanding, things that the kids don't necessarily get in school or to the depth that they would in a museum."

Jane Chu, chairman of the National Endowment for the Arts, said Blue Star Museums has something for everyone.

"Parents of young children tell us that they go to museums to learn new things and have family time together," she said. "Blue Star Museums helps them do both, by helping military families learn about

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Traditional roles challenged

United States Army now providing job variety for women in National Guard

HARBOR WATCH

You might not expect a local woman who is a hair stylist or preschool teacher to also be operating or fixing bulldozers, scrapers, and dump trucks outside of their job, but for women serving in the South Dakota Army National Guard's 842nd Engineer Company, it is common.

These soldiers are breaking the stereotypes of what it means to serve as a woman in today's National Guard, and they serve in unexpected roles.

"More and more female soldiers are enlisting in positions that have been traditionally perceived as male-only positions, such as heavy equipment operator or diesel mechanic within the 842nd," said Capt. Matt Sadler, 842nd commander. "I've also seen other companies within the state showing the same trend, females enlisting as truck drivers, artillery, etc."

Of the unit's approximately 160 members, 31 are women. Most serve as heavy equipment operators or heavy wheeled-vehicle mechanics. Based in Spearfish, Belle Fourche and Sturgis, the unit is a horizontal construction company, which uses heavy machinery to build roads, airstrips and combat outposts and forward operating bases.

"Working with loaders and scrapers is a bit out of my comfort zone," said Pfc. Jessica Kling, who teaches preschool in Lemmon and operates heavy equipment in the 842nd. "I wouldn't choose to do this in my civilian life, but the National Guard gives me the opportunity to do something new and exciting."

These engineers also serve the state in the event of emergencies, such as building levees during flood operations,



WE ARE WOMEN: From left, Army Spc. Kayleigh Lane, Spc. Wiyaka Stands, Spc. Rachel Newton, and Sgt. Danielle Walraven in the mechanics section at the South Dakota Army National Guard's 842nd Engineer Company on April 11. Sgt. First Class Theanne Herrmann

digging fire lines to suppress wildland fires, and assisting emergency crews during winter storms.

"I never would have imagined doing any of this before I joined," Kling said. "I figured I'm a girl, I don't need to do that kind of stuff, but once you start it's kind of fun."

Operating large equipment, such as an excavator, a 24,000-pound machine, capable of digging 14-feet deep, can make these women feel empowered.

"High and mighty," said Kling, on how she feels when operating the large powerful road graders, bulldozers and excavators. "They are really intimidating at first ... I think everyone has felt that way."

For most soldiers, the in-

timidation factor tends to fade after spending two weeks behind the wheel during annual training.

"I've learned the most at annual training," Kling said. "There is a lot of work and planning that goes into building a road. I didn't know I was capable of doing this, and once you see the end result it's pretty cool."

For many of the women, who work full time in what many people might consider traditional female careers, they get surprised or shocked reactions when explaining their job as soldiers to their customers.

"Whenever I have a client in my chair and they ask about my life outside of cosmetology school, I tell them I am a construction worker in the

National Guard," said Pfc. Savannah Wheeler, of Box Elder. "Their faces drop and they are like 'what?'"

Choosing to be a mechanic in the National Guard was not a surprise for the family members of Spc. Kayleigh Lane, of Sturgis, who owns her own hair salon in Belle Fourche.

"As a child, I grew up working on cars with my dad," Lane said. "Mechanical work intrigues me, but I didn't want to do it full time, so I figured the National Guard would be the best way to do it."

Many of the women joined as mechanics in the 842nd to become more educated in maintaining and repairing vehicles. Heavy-wheeled mechanics spend 13 weeks at advanced individual training learning

how automotive engines work and how to troubleshoot to repair mechanical problems.

"I wanted to be a mechanic to learn how to fix my own car," said Wiyaka Stands, of Mission. "My car broke down in high school and it's expensive to fix, so I wanted to learn how to do it myself."

The women of the 842nd say they have grown personally and professionally and would recommend other women considering an engineering job to join their ranks.

"Operating outside of my comfort zone has given me confidence," Wheeler said. "That is why I would suggest women join the 842nd. This unit has allowed me to push my boundaries and accomplish things I never thought I'd do."

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the cultural resources in their communities and offering a fun, high-quality experience that's budget friendly, as well as family friendly. We're proud to help connect museums to military communities nationwide."

For Blue Star Families Chief Executive Officer Kathy Roth-Douquet, wife of retired

Marine Col. Greg Douquet, the Blue Star Museums program holds a special place in her heart.

"In 2010, when this program began, we had gotten a one-week's notice that my husband was going to go to Afghanistan for a year, so he packed his bag, shaved his head and went off," she said. "It was a tough year for all of us. Museum-going enhances resilience. It's a nice, free activity in a beautiful setting that uplifts you, and

you're also being told you're important.

"When you go to into the museum, the folks behind the counter say, 'We're so glad you're here. Welcome, this is yours for the summer. It's free because we appreciate what you do.' I can't underscore how much I love this program and how much my family has used it," she said. "That first year, my kids and I traveled around the country, visiting family and everywhere we

went, we stopped at Blue Star Museums. My kids remember it as a high point of that summer and every summer since. I know personally what a difference it makes to folks."

Douquet said she and her children, Sophie, 17, and Charley, 13, have been to 27 Blue Star Museums and plan to visit more with her husband.

For Patricia Ochan, taking a tour of The Phillips Collection is a welcome break from medical appointments.

She is the wife of Marine Sgt. Jimmy Ochan, who is with the Chemical Biological Incident Response Force Unit out of Indian Head, Maryland.

"This program is a great way for families to come out and spend time together," she said. "We spend a lot of time in the hospital for my husband's appointments, so for us to be able to come out here is a huge break. We get to spend more time with our son and show him things."

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Dance dance robolution



March of the tin soldiers: A troupe of dancing droids create a colorful and kinetic theater experience in "Robot," opening at the Brooklyn Academy of Music next week.

Laurent Philippe

Robots and humans tango together in surreal dance show

By Danielle Furfaro

These robots want to boogie. Humans and acrobatic androids share the stage in a colorful dance performance landing at the Brooklyn Academy of Music this week. But "Robot" is more than a kinetic spectacle of music, metal, and fancy footwork. The performance is also a philosophical rumination on how smart machines have invaded aspects of the human world, said the show's creator.

"It came out of the idea that the world is changing a lot because technology and machines are becoming part of our lives more and more," said Spanish director and choreographer Blanca Li.

Li conveys our complicated relationship with technology without saying a word, instead creating a surreal costume- and prop-driven adventure. Each robot has a unique name and personality, and they range from toddler-sized cuddly creatures to towering metallic monsters. During the course of the show, the seven robots



Tiny dancer: An android strikes a pose while under the watchful eye of a fellow performer in the theatrical extravaganza "Robot."

Laurent Philippe

learn to walk and dance, and they interact with eight human performers in a variety of way, including dancing, making fun of each other, and falling in love.

"I wanted to be able to show the robots' presence and emotion," said Li. "I wanted them to really be able to interact with the people on stage at an emotional level."

Li traveled the world to connect with robot makers and discover machines that fit with her vision. She picked a handful that looked cool and were sophisticated enough to dance along with the music on stage. It took months to coordinate the movements of the robots into a well-oiled choreographed piece, she said.

"It was really difficult to put it all together," said Li. "It almost did not happen."

She finally found the robots in France, and Japanese collaborators created the elaborate 10-piece mechanical orchestra of aluminum and resin that provides music for the performance. The band is an art installation as much as an orchestra, she said.

The performance comes to Brooklyn after two years touring Spain, France, Belgium, Portugal, and Italy.

"Robot" at the Brooklyn Academy of Music, Howard Gilman Opera House [30 Lafayette Ave. at Ashland Place in Fort Greene, (718) 636-4100, www.bam.org]. June 9, 11, 12 at 8 pm, June 13 at 2 pm and 8 pm, June 14 at 1 pm and 5 pm. \$25-\$75.

HAUNTING PERFORMANCE

Artists transform Green-Wood Cemetery into a 'Dark Wonderland'

By Danielle Furfaro

These performers will take their work to the grave.

Musicians, dancers, and performance artists will take over Green-Wood Cemetery every weekend in June as part of "Dark Wonderland," an installation of outlandish works celebrating the 150th anniversary of Lewis Carroll's "Alice in Wonderland." The twilight performances are not directly inspired by the surreal children's story, but the organizers chose esoteric acts to highlight the otherworldly atmosphere of the 177-year-old cemetery.

"It is the idea of using Green-Wood as a wonderland and surreal landscape," said Chelsea Dowell, manager of programs and membership at the cemetery. "It is such a robust experience and something you do not get sitting in a theater."

Audiences will travel around the cemetery during the show, but the performers will not actually be dancing on graves. The action takes place in groves between the tombstones, while the audience watches from the cemetery's many paved surfaces.

Two productions during this week's installment are particularly appropriate for the graveyard location. One is a musical piece composed in remembrance of Eric Garner, who suffocated to death while being arrested by police in Staten Island last year. The guitar solo requiem will be performed by Vernon Reid, founder of the band Living Colour. Organizers of the event say that Reid and other artists were chosen not only because of their ability, but because their



Music of the night: (Left) Among the musicians performing at Green-Wood Cemetery this month are Sean Dixon (far left) and Sandra Lilia Velasquez (front) of the electronic band SLV. (Right) Sacha Yanow's Little Vamp will also appear among the tombs with a performance inspired by silent cinema.



work intersects with the real world. "They are the cutting edge of the cutting edge," said Brian Tate, executive producer of MAPP International Productions, the group that curated the shows. "They are not just bold creators but empathetic people who care about social issues."

The second scene at home among the tombs is "The Little Vamp," an undead char-

acter created by performance artist Sacha Yanow. Her performance of the vampiric character draws on the traditions of silent film, as well as feminist and queer history.

Three different artists will perform each weekend, so visitors can return for a different experience throughout the month. Other acts will include burlesque star and queen of the 2015 Coney Island Mermaid Parade

Julie Atlas Muz, improvisational big band orchestra Burnt Sugar, and electro-pop band SLV, among many others.

"Dark Wonderland" at the Green-Wood Cemetery [500 25th St. at Fifth Avenue in Greenwood Heights, (718) 210-3080, www.green-wood.com]. Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays in June at 7:30 pm. \$30 (\$25 in advance).



See pirate, see horse: "Hacked" uses puppetry, high-flying acrobatics, and music to project a message about corporate malevolence.

Claire Sabbatie

Swashbuckling spectacle

By Allegra Hobbs

Red Hook's favorite pirate hackers are back!

The Caravan Stage Company drops anchor this week at Gowanus Bay Terminal for its show "Hacked: The Treasure of the Empire," a fantastical multimedia rock opera in which pirate hackers in a dystopian future sing, dance, and swing from the rigging of a tall ship high above the harbor. The socially conscious performance is designed to provoke the audience into contemplating the malevolence of the capitalist machine.

"I would like the audience to leave wanting to understand what they've just seen," said Bernard Pearce, who was a cook in the nautical caravan before taking a role in the play. "I think the idea is to overwhelm the audience and then have them so intrigued they go back and start reading about it."

The performance itself is a dazzling spectacle, combining a wide variety of artistic media to create a



Ship ahoy!: Caravan Stage Company parks its tall ship in the Gowanus Bay Terminal from June 10 - 14 for a dazzling multimedia production about pirate hackers in a dystopian future.

Claire Sabbatie

surreal post-apocalyptic vision. The travelling company last brought the show to Red Hook in September of 2014, but say that this year's performance is new and improved, with new music, aerial performances, choreography, and video, resulting in an even fuller and richer vision than before.

"We were here last year and

people's jaws dropped," said Pearce. "We reach for the stars and are constantly improving."

"Hacked: The Treasure of the Empire" at Gowanus Bay Terminal [699 Columbia St. between Ikea and the end of the road in Red Hook, www.caravanstage.org, (904) 944-3698]. June 10-14 at 9:00 pm. \$20 (\$15 for students and seniors).

Ridge woman helps Brooklynites through psychic powers

BY CAMILLE SPERRAZZA

There's a difference between a psychic and a medium.

A psychic addresses an individual's past, present, and future. A medium is in touch with people who have already passed over. Kathleen Avino says she is blessed to be both.

While she has always been sensitive to what she calls, "spirit guides," it wasn't until she had back and throat surgery some 19 years ago that her gift became evident. She spent three months recovering from the trauma of being sick, and she realized she could hear what people around her were thinking.

"It was like 50 radios in my head," she says of the experience.

She has since learned to control it, so she can have normal interactions. She also believes this is the respectful thing to do. But when clients come to her for a reading, she basically has their permission to turn the radio on, and talk to them about what she hears.

Most want to focus on relationships. Next, they want to learn about careers and financial issues. She doesn't do card readings; she works with spirit guides who talk to her and show her pictures, she says. She simply passes



Kathleen Avino

along the information she sees. Sometimes it doesn't make sense to her or to the person who comes in for the reading. But making sense of everything is not Avino's job. She leaves that up to the individuals who come to her. They

interpret the meaning, and they have "the free will" to do what they want with the information.

For example, one woman contacted her when she was concerned about her sick brother. Avino listened, and said, "He's being poisoned. His body is poisoning him." She recommended he be brought to a large hospital with a poison center. It turned out the doctors there determined what other doctors could not figure out: the brother was producing chemicals that were, in fact, making him sick.

"His life was saved," she says.

Another time a client called her terrified that he would lose his house to foreclosure because he had not been able to sell it. Avino said, "At the 12th hour, you will get your house issue solved." He received a call at 11:30 pm, the night before expected foreclosure. The deal was sealed at midnight.

What makes Avino's story all the more intriguing is that she is highly educated in math and science. She spent a lifetime supervising construction work, and today, she teaches management courses at the Institute of Design and Construction. So how does a math and science person, so fixated on the tangible, justify the intangible?

For her, it is tangible, she says. She believes that all human beings have the ability to do this, and that they can teach themselves. It is already within each of us, but she notes, "Almost all psychics will tell you that something [a trauma] triggered it." She calls it, "an awakening." There are many books that can help bring out the potential, she says. "Meditation also helps."

Those who are interested in a reading can book it through her website, www.kathleenavino.com. Readings can be done in person or over the telephone. In addition, Avino does readings at the Greenhouse Café in Bay Ridge, the last Wednesday of each month, from 6 to 8:30 pm, for a promotional price of \$20. Those who are inclined may book a longer reading for another time.

The busy woman happens to be a good cook, so she teaches hands-on Sicilian cooking classes out of her Bay Ridge 19th-century limestone house. There's plenty of room to cook, and then eat what they've prepared.

"People usually have so much fun, they don't want to go home," Avino says.

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'GREASE' ENLIGHTENING

Comedy group tackles the musical's lack of diversity

By Noah Hurowitz

They are greasing the wheels of progress!

A local comedy troupe will debut a fan-fiction sequel to the hit musical "Grease" at Downtown's Actors Fund Arts Center on June 5-7 — but without the lily-white cast of the original. "G3: The Browning" is a humorous take on what the fictional Rydell High would have looked like post-desegregation, which the show's creator said was inspired by her own childhood reaction to the film.

"As a black American, I fell in love with 'Grease' just like everybody else, but I had this weird moment where I was like, 'That's not me,'" said Hollie Harper, who wrote and directed the production with her sketch comedy group American Candy.

As with its canonical prequel, "G3" begins with some summer lovin', but this time it is Lauren, visiting from Brooklyn, and local heartthrob Will who are having a blast. Lauren ends up staying for the school year, but it is now 1964, and like schools throughout the country, Rydell High is in the process of integration, after the town's black high-school burns to the ground. And the students don't initially all go together like a rama-lamma-lamma-ka-dinga-da-dinga-dong.

The musical follows Lauren, Will, and their friends as they navigate the trials and tribulations of



Tell me more: Comedy troupe American Candy's "G3: The Browning" adds a new, more diverse chapter to the classic musical "Grease." Photo by Stefano Giovannini

integration — and larger events of the era such as the assassination of Malcolm X — along with teen romance. With America once again engaged in a public discussion about racism and police reform, Harper said modern audiences will still find their chills are multiplyin' while watching the teen characters and their struggles.

Of course, the "G3" is still a comedy, but that just makes it a little easier to tackle serious issues like

racism, Harper said.

"You always have to have a spoonful of sugar to go with something bitter," Harper said. "I think people will really be able to relate to how some things have changed and some things have not."

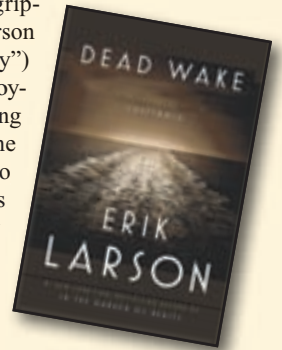
"G3: The Browning" at the Actors Fund Arts Center (160 Schermerhorn St. between Smith and Hoyt streets in Boerum Hill, www.facebook.com/americanacandy). June 5-6 at 8 pm, June 7 at 7 pm. \$25.



The best reads — handpicked by some of the best Bklyn bookstores

Word's pick: "Dead Wake: The Last Crossing of the Lusitania" by Erik Larson

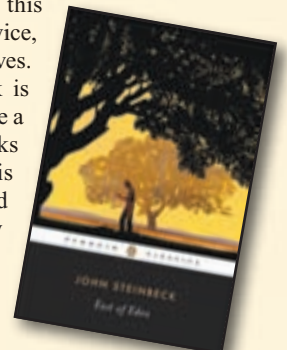
Possibly his best yet! This gripping new nonfiction from Larson ("The Devil in the White City") chronicles the final, fatal voyage of the Lusitania. Alternating between accounts of the German U-boat captain who sank the ship, the daily lives of passengers aboard it, newly revealed British secret intelligence data, and details of President Woodrow Wilson's private life, Larson creates a shocking narrative that reveals how Winston Churchill may have deliberately let it all happen. I couldn't put it down.



— Ashanti White-Wallace, Word [126 Franklin St. at Milton Street in Greenpoint, (718) 383-0096, www.word-brooklyn.com].

Greenlight Bookstore's pick: "East of Eden" by John Steinbeck

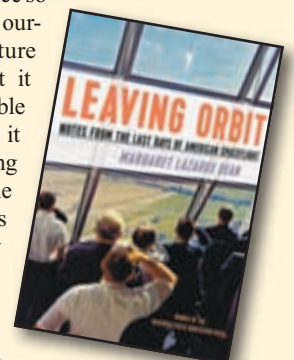
I've been thinking about this book a lot lately. I've read it twice, both times while on long drives. What I like about Steinbeck is that he was always trying to be a better writer and that his books are always different. This one is epic, generational, and explores family relations by using some of his own family history. Steinbeck even appears as a little boy in the story. If you're looking for a book to get lost in this June, this is a great book for losing yourself.



— Jess Pane, Greenlight Bookstore [686 Fulton St. between S. Elliott Place and S. Portland Avenue in Fort Greene, (718) 246-0200, www.greenlightbookstore.com].

Community Bookstore's pick: "Leaving Orbit: Notes from the Last Days of American Spaceflight" by Margaret Lazarus Dean

The space program was once so much a part of how we saw ourselves as Americans, its future so seemingly limitless, that it would have been inconceivable that someday we would shut it down and walk away, turning Cape Canaveral over to the alligators. Margaret Lazarus Dean is too young to know what it was like to watch Alan Shepard, Gus Grissom, and John Glenn blast off into space, but she gets it — what it was like and what has been lost — in a wonderful, elegiac, human way.



— Ezra Goldstein, Community Bookstore [43 Seventh Ave. between Carroll Street and Garfield Place in Park Slope, (718) 783-3075, www.communitybookstore.net].

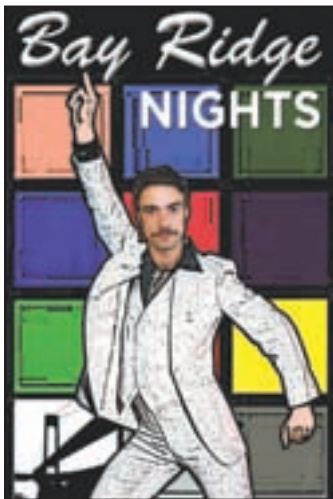
Bay Ridge is Dublin up on St. Paddy's

By Max Jaeger

Top o' the mornin' to ya, Bay Ridge!

It is June, which means we're halfway to halfway to St. Patrick's Day, and the Ridge's Irish-parade committee is already gearing up with a fund-raising event next week. And of course, on top of the Gaelic gamboling, the neighborhood has more live music this weekend than you can shake a shillelagh at.

It is a meat-ing of cultures on Friday when the Bay Ridge Jewish Center (405 81st St. between Fourth and Fifth avenues) holds a Shabbat service followed by a hoe-down and chicken-and-ribs dinner — talk about manna from heaven! This will be a veritable buffet of culture — it starts with a Jewish service and ends with Americana music (itself a mixture of traditional Irish and African musical elements forged in the cauldrons of Appalachia). The whole shebang costs \$15 to \$20, and there are family specials available.



Then close out this week of dreary Irish weather with a little sonic sunshine from Johnny Guitar and the Beach Bums at Schnitzel Haus (7319 Fifth Ave. between 73rd and 74th streets). Surf's up at 9 pm.

On Saturday, classic rockers Prodigal Child return to the

Greenhouse Cafe (7717 Third Ave. between 77th and 78th streets) for a rollicking set of tunes from the 1960s and '70s starting at 9:30 pm.

Enjoy some airs in the fresh air on Sunday at 7 pm, when ivory-tickling songster Tony Travis performs in the Shore Road Park gazebo (Shore Road and 90th Street) as part of the Shore Road Parks Conservancy's summer concert series.

On Thursday, embrace your Irish side at Leif Bar (6725 Fifth Ave. between 67th and Senator Streets) where you can take some traditional Irish dance lessons from the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee. Learn how to step the Siege of Ennis, the Highland Fling, and perennial favorite Shoe the Donkey. Organizers say to bring comfortable shoes and an Irish sense of humor — we're pretty sure that means your liver. The two-hour lesson starts at 7 pm and will set you back a scant \$5.

As of publication, there are 285 days until St. Patrick's Day.

M.A.S. Music swing band gets the party hopping

BY CAMILLE SPERRAZZA

Get those old records off the shelves because the sound of swing music is alive and well, thanks to M.A.S. Music.

Marie-Annette Stack (also known as M.A.S.) is a professional musician who has a 15-piece swing band that performs music from the great American songbooks. The group will be performing a Big Band Show on June 14.

If you long to hear favorites such as Glenn Miller's, "In the Mood," and Tommy Dorsey's, "Getting Sentimental Over You," you'll want to contact M.A.S. Music for tickets.

Then, on July 11, the group will be performing at a dinner dance at Saints Simon and Jude Church.

A few days later, catch them at the free outdoor concert in Marine Park.

Stack was born and bred in the borough. She grew in Gravesend, and attended Mark Twain Middle School, where she learned to play the



violin, trumpet, and guitar. It was at John Dewey High School where she discovered jazz bands, and played in an orchestra.

She graduated from Brooklyn College, and then attended the College of Health Related Professionals at SUNY Downstate Medical College. By day, she's a supervisor of Echo Cardiology at Coney Island Hospital. By at night, she "swings." Her husband is musician Dick Bennett, who spent years performing in Las Vegas, and who worked with famous artists such as Ella Fitzgerald. Back in New York, he was drum teacher to two Brooklyn boys, Carmine

and Vinny Appice, who would go on to perform with rock stars such as Rod Stewart, Black Sabbath, and Ozzy Osbourne. Bennett also taught at the Gene Krupa Drum School, and knew Krupa personally.

Stack and Bennett met when the two performed at the memorable Brooklyn place, T.J. Bentley's, in the 1990s. Stack was part of the band performing that night; Bennett came in to substitute for the drummer who couldn't make it that day. They've been together since then. When Stack's old band broke up, the two formed M.A.S. Swing.

Also parts of the band are



two very talented singers — "Frank Sinatra" and "Dean Martin." Eddie Gentile, winner of Brooklyn's "Senior Idol" competition, sings the Sinatra songs. He's a retired teacher who lives in Bay Ridge. Jack Lynn performs Dean Martin songs. Stack met him online, and was so impressed with his talent, she asked him to join the band.

M.A.S. Music offers live entertainment for all types of events. It has performed at weddings, cocktail hours, and corporate functions throughout the tri-state area.

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sical requests you may have."

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M.A.S. Music [(917) 841-1617, www.MarieStack.com]. Call seven days a week, 9 am-10 pm.

Big Band Show at Monsignor Jolley Hall at Columba Church (2245 Kimball St. in Marine Park) June 14, 2-5 pm. Tickets \$20 per person. Coffee and cake will be served.

Dinner dance at Saints Simon and Jude Church (185 Van Sicklen St. in Gravesend) July 11. Call for details.

Outdoor concert in Marine Park, July 15, 7-9 pm.



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MUSIC, ED SHEERAN: \$65-\$85. 7:30 pm.

SAT, JUNE 6

SPORTS, MIGUEL COTTO VS. DANIEL GEALE: Boxing. \$32-\$507. 6 pm.

SAT, JUNE 13

MUSIC, COMBINACION PERFECTA SALSA CONCERT: Featuring Oscar D'Leon, Tito Nieves, La India, Ismael Miranda, and others. \$70.50-\$305.50. 8 pm.

SUN, JUNE 14

MUSIC, AMPLIFY 2015: Featuring Ne-yo, Ludacris, and Cash Cash. \$9.23-\$92.30. 7 pm.

WED, JUNE 17

MUSIC, BARRY MANILOW: \$19.75-\$249.75. 7:30 pm.

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MUSIC, CONTEMPORARY COLOR: Featuring David Byrne, Nelly Furtado, How to Dress Well, Dev Hynes, Kelis, Nico Muhly and Ira Glass, St. Vincent, Tune-Yards, Lucius, and Money Mark and Ad-Rock. \$30-\$85. 7:30 pm.

SUN, JUNE 28

MUSIC, CONTEMPORARY COLOR: See Saturday, June 27. \$25-\$85. 7:30 pm.

MON, JUNE 29

MUSIC, BETTE MIDLER: \$47.50-\$312.50. 7:30 pm.

620 Atlantic Ave. at Pacific Street in Prospect Heights (917) 618-6100, www.barclayscenter.com.

FRI, JUNE 5

ART, "CIRCUMSTANTIAL EVIDENCE" OPENING RECEPTION: 'Circumstantial Evidence' features the work of two Bushwick artists, John Crowe and Oliver Jones. Curated by Jack Henry, the exhibition was the winning proposal in the Open Call for Curators. Free. 6-10 pm. Idio Gallery (976 Grand St. between Catherine Street and Morgan Avenue in Bushwick), www.idiogallery.com.

TALK, WILL DAVIES: Will Davies shares his new book "The Happiness Industry," an exploration of the recent obsession with quantifying happiness. Free. 7 pm. PowerHouse Arena [37 Main St. at Water Street in Dumbo, (718) 666-3049], www.powerhousearena.com.

THEATER, "SAINT JOAN OF THE STOCKYARDS": A tale of romance between a meatpacking tycoon and a Salvation Army worker set in 1920 Chicago. \$25. 7:30 pm. Irondale Center [85 S. Oxford St. at Lafayette Avenue in Fort Greene, (718) 488-9233], www.irondale.org.

SAT, JUNE 6

DANCE, LOCAL PRODUCE (MINI)FESTIVAL OF THE PERFORMANCE ARTS: Featuring Tai-Chi, drum circles, Charles Moore Youth Dance Theater, and Niall O'Leary School of Irish Dance. Free. 10 am-6 pm. [Union Street between Fifth and Sixth Aves in Park Slope, (718) 408-3234], www.spokethehub.org.

MUSIC, THE MARJORIE THOMPSON MEMORIAL CONCERT: Proceeds from this benefit concert will be donated to cancer research. \$65. 6:30 pm. Our Lady of Perpetual Help School [5902 Sixth Ave. at 60th Street in Bay Ridge, (718) 439-8067], www.olphschoolbrooklyn.org.

ART, "COLOR - SCULPTED AND PAINTED": Artists Cindy Millin, Dieter Kuhn, Norbert Masal, and Scott Reeds, whose work is informed by their particular use of color. Free. 5-8 pm. FiveMyles [558 St. Johns Pl. between Classon and Franklin avenues in Crown Heights, (718) 783-4438], www.fivemyles.org.

MUSIC, ROCK BANDS FOR KIDS PRESENTS: 13 Amazing Young Rock Bands: Over a dozen young rock bands take the stage. \$10. 11 am-4 pm. Bell House [149 Seventh St. at Third Avenue in Gowanus, (718) 643-6510], www.thebellhouse.com.

DANCE, BATTLEFEST LEAGUE DANCERS, SCREENING OF "FLEX IS KINGS": Brooklyn's own extreme dance league, BattleFest, gives a live performance with synthesizers, electronics, and beats. Followed by a screening of "Flex is Kings," a look inside the world of the Brooklyn street dancing known as 'flexing.'. Free. 6 pm. Red Hook Park (Halleck Street between Otsego and Court streets

WHAT TO DO 24 SEVEN EVENTS



Electric youth: teenage Flatbush metal band Unlocking the Truth is playing at Red Hook Park on June 7. Photo by Phil Knot

in Red Hook), www.cityparksfoundation.org.

THEATER, "STRANGE FRUIT - READINGS OF BLACK-AUTHORED LYNCHING PLAYS FROM THE EARLY 1900S": Readings of five plays written in the early 20th century by Black playwrights on lynching, with professional actors. Each reading will be followed by a discussion. \$10. 7 pm. Jack (505 Waverly Ave. between Fulton Street and Atlantic Avenue in Clinton Hill), www.jackny.org.

MUSIC, TONY TRAVIS: Shore Park Conservancy's "Sing for Hope Pianos" 2015 series presents singer-songwriter Tony Travis. Free. 7 pm. Shore Road Parks (90th Street and Shore Road in Bay Ridge), www.shoreroadparks.org.

FAMILY DAY: Featuring Unlocking the Truth, Black Girls Rock and Willie Mae Rock Camp. All ages enjoy a day of fun, music and dance. co-sponsored by Disney. Free. 4 pm. Red Hook Park (Clinton St. between Bay and Halleck streets in Red Hook), www.SummerStage.org.

MON, JUNE 8

TALK, "LITTLE WHITE LIE": Filmmaker Lacey Schwartz presents her provocative documentary about being a biracial woman who grew up believing she was white. This screening and discussion of "Little White Lie" continues the annual "What Are You?" program series, which explores mixed heritage and identity. Free. 6:30 pm. Brooklyn Historical Society [128 Pierrepont St. at Clinton Street in Brooklyn Heights, (718) 222-4111], www.brooklynhistory.org.

TUES, JUNE 9

BROOKLYN BIKE JUMBLE: The Brooklyn Bike Jumble is a bicycle flea market where you can buy new and used bicycles, bicycle accessories, bicycle collectibles, clothing, and

other bicycle treasures. Free. 10 am-4 pm. The Old Stone House [336 Third St. between Fourth and Fifth avenues in Park Slope, (718) 768-3195], theoldstonehouse.org.

COMEDY, DAVE HILL: "Let Me Turn You On" release party, featuring guest comedians such as Michelle Wolf, Daniel Koren, Greg Barris, and more. \$10. 7 pm. Bell House [149 Seventh St. at Third Avenue in Gowanus, (718) 643-6510], www.thebellhouse.com.

WED, JUNE 10

TALK, TIMOTHY DWYER AND MARC PEYSER: The story of "Hissing Cousins: The Untold Story of Eleanor Roosevelt and Alice Roosevelt Longworth." \$5. 6:30 pm. Brooklyn Historical Society [128 Pierrepont St. at Clinton Street in Brooklyn Heights, (718) 222-4111], www.brooklynhistory.org.

MUSIC, BROOKLYN CHORUS OPEN HOUSE: The Brooklyn Chorus' female barbershop-style group, the Sweet Adelines, is seeking new members and hosting an open house and guest night for prospective singers. Free. 7:45-10 pm. Norwegian Christian Home [1250 67th St. between 12th and 13th avenues in Dyker Heights, (917) 836-4304].

THEATER, "OLIVER": Brooklyn Theatre Club presents Charles Dickens' "Oliver!" \$15. 8:30 pm. Muchmore's (2 Havemeyer St. at N. 9th Street in Williamsburg), www.brooklyntheatreclub.com.

THURS, JUNE 11

MUSIC, ANDRA DAY WITH THE KATE DAVIS BAND: Part of the 21st annual BAM R&B Music festival, which features a roster of both well-known and emerging musicians of R&B and world music. Free. Noon. MetroTech Commons [1 MetroTech Roadway at Lawrence

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MUSIC, BOOT CAMP CLIK & FRIENDS, KIRK KNIGHT & CJ FLY OF PRO ERA, CHELSEA REJECT & STATIK SELEKTAH: Part of SummerStage. Free. 6 pm. Betsy Head Park (Dumont Avenue between Boyland and Bristol streets in Brownsville), www.cityparksfoundation.org.

FRI, JUNE 12

MUSIC, PLAY DATE: The award-winning kiddie-indie music duo Play Date will make their NYC debut with a concert of interactive tunes for the whole family. Free. 11 am. Brooklyn Bridge Park (334 Furman St. at Middagh Street in Dumbo).

KIDS CREATE: Fathers Day Crafts: Kids make a special craft to surprise dad. Free. 3-5 pm. Gerritsen Beach Public Library [2808 Gerritsen Ave. between Bartlett Place and Gotham Avenue in Gerritsen Beach, (718) 368-1435], www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org.

THEATER, "DEBUTAUNT": Mary John Frank's satire lifts the curtain on etiquette and excess in the world of Southern debutante balls through an immersive multi-media experience. \$35. 8 pm. Atelier Roquette (63 Commerce St. between Van Brunt and Richards streets in Red Hook), www.debutauntball.com.

SAT, JUNE 13

MUSIC, "BROWNSVILLE BRED": "Brownsville Bred," written, performed and lived by Nuyorican poet Elaine Del Valle, won several NYC awards and festivals before being successfully produced at The Nuyorican Poet's Cafe. Part of SummerStage. Free. 7-9 pm. Betsy Head Park (Dumont Avenue between Boyland and Bristol streets in Brownsville), www.cityparksfoundation.org.

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"MERMAIDS ON PARADE": Come and meet author Melanie Hope Greenberg and her newest book. Free. 10 am. Edamama [568 Union Ave. between Frost and Richardson-Unit B in Greenpoint, (728) 388-3663].

BROOKLYN PRIDE FESTIVAL AND PARADE: Come celebrate LGBT culture at the Brooklyn Parade. Free. 11 am-5 pm. (Between Third Street and Sterling Place at Fifth Avenue in Park Slope).

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BROOKLYN HEIGHTS

More than 40 undergraduate nursing students received a medical white coat emblazoned with the **St. Francis College** logo to honor their dedi-



cation to the health and well-being of their future patients at **St. Francis College's** first White Coat Ceremony on May 12.

St. Francis places a heavy focus on technology in its four-year undergraduate nursing program as well as its two-year registered nurse to bachelor of science program. Each student received an iPad to be used for textbooks and to link with the college's newly renovated nursing lab.

Pamela Straker, program coordinator for the Brooklyn Health Disparities Center at Downstate Medical Center was the keynote speaker and talked about some of the programs.

Standing O turns the tassels and offers congratulations to all those who got their angel wings — including **Francisca Gabriele**, Class of '17, pictured with her grandmother **Dolores Anastasio** and **St. Francis School of Nursing Dean Allen Burdowski**.

St. Francis College [180 Remsen St. at Court Street in Brooklyn Heights, (718) 522-2300].

BENSONHURST

Oops, a boo boo

In the Standing O of May 14, Standing O incorrectly identified **Kathe Emmanuel**, **Marie Holstrom**, **Amanda Alexandre**, **Dominique Gayot**, and **Autumn Bernard**, as educators — but they are students at **Bishop Kearney**.

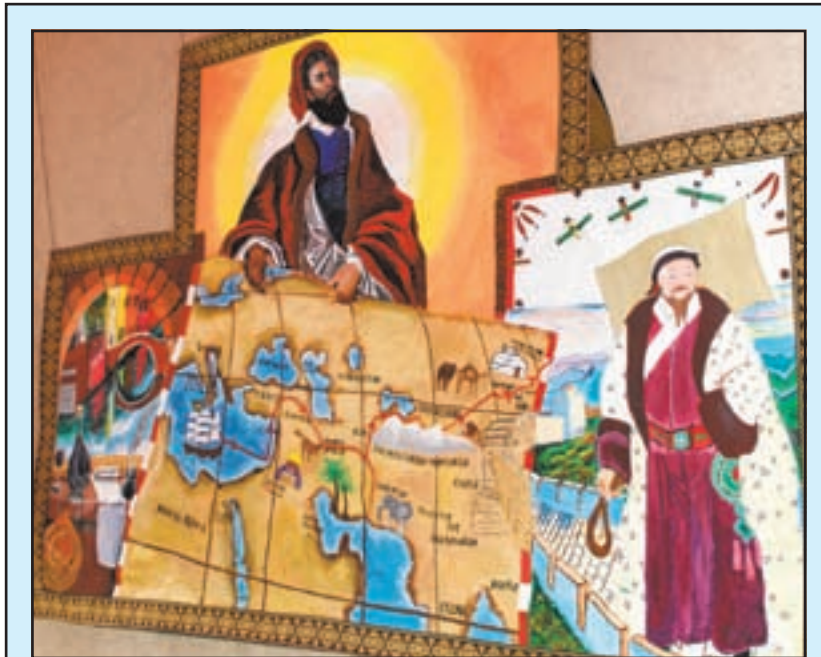
Standing O hopes they will be great educators some day, too.

Bishop Kearney High School [2206 60th St. at Bay Parkway in Bensonhurst, (718) 236-6363].

BEDFORD STUYVESANT

Welcome, Provost

Standing O says *bienvenue* to the new **Pratt Institute** provost, **Kirk Pillow**, who will take the reigns from current provost **Peter Barna** this coming July. Kirk is currently the in-



MOLTO BUONO: Students from the Information Technology High School created this mural depicting the Silk Road, traveled by explorer Marco Polo, that hangs on Marco Polo Ristorante.

Photo by Steven Schnibbe

Delicious meal with beautiful art

CARROLL GARDENS

Magnifico, fantastico, molto buono. **Marco Chirico**, restaurateur extraordinaire and patron of the arts, has always advocated for education. In order to further the education of students at the **Information Technology High School** in Long Island City, the owner and chef of **Marco Polo Ristorante** commissioned the students in the fine arts program to depict the exploration of the Silk Road by Italian explorer Marco Polo, for which the Carroll Gardens restaurant is named.

Under the direction of art teacher **Jorge Luis Cordero**, the students began the arduous journey of researching, designing, and then applying the skills necessary to create this masterpiece work that was not only historically authentic but visually appealing, too.

After five long months, (the students began work in November of

last year), the mural was ready for its close up on May 21.

Borough President Adams, an advocate for both education and good food, was on hand and added his praise of the work, expressing his desire that this project would inspire students to continue learning inside and outside the classroom.

"The entire concept of education is more than what takes place within the four walls of a classroom. It's about how do we go out and experience the beauty of being in such a rich city," he said.

Standing O agrees, and says: "Whether it is the mural on the wall or the delicious food on your plate, Marco Polo restaurant offers the best of al fresco."

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Marco Polo Ristorante [345 Court St. between Union and Sackett streets in Carroll Gardens, (718) 852-5015].

terim president at the **University of the Arts in Philadelphia**, where he served as provost from 2011 to 2014.

Thomas F. Schutte, president at Pratt, was excited to let Standing O know of the appointment.

"Kirk is a phenomenal individual with the energy, enthusiasm, and experience to lead the institute in fulfilling its academic mission," he said, adding: "He is a true visionary in aca-

demic administration and has a stellar reputation as an accomplished leader who listens, moves priorities forward, and embraces the collaborative nature of collegial governance."

Kirk shares the enthusiasm, and said, "Pratt is an extraordinary hub of creative energy and excellence. It's a dream come true to be chosen for this role."

Standing O wishes Kirk a long and



CONEY ISLAND

Pas de deux at 106

Standing O is tilting a glass of bubbly and toasting **Tillie Feinberg** as she celebrates by the sea shore at **Sea Crest**. Tillie tripped the light fantastic on her milestone 106th birthday on May 22 with family, friends and staff.

"My mom loves to dance," said daughter **Elayna Woods**. "It is her passion. She always attends dance venues and music events, and still wants to dance and hear music every day."

Son-in-law **Stanley Franco**, fellow Sea Crest resident **Janette Hughes**, staff, and friends were all on hand to help Tillie blow out the candles on her delicious purple-iced cake and have a slice or two of pizza.

Standing O wishes Tillie, "Many more dances, and a very happy 106th." Enjoy!

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Pratt Institute [200 Willoughby Ave. and DeKalb Avenue in Bedford-Stuyvesant, (718) 636-3600].

FLATLANDS

Just do it

Standing O is sharing the news: We hear that a brand-new **Nike store**, the first-ever Community store in Brooklyn, has opened on Nostrand Avenue.

Folks at **Fraser Civic Association** were so excited about the addition to the community that they just had to tell Standing O the good news and wish Nike "the best of luck and success here in our part of Brooklyn!"

Nike Community Store (2236 Nostrand Ave. at Flatbush Avenue in Flatlands).

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Bensonhurst

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● 'For next year, we all see what we need to do.'

— James Madison softball ace Isabella Gerone on what the team's heartbreaking semis loss means for next season's prospects

● 'He comes up clutch.'

— James Madison baseball coach Vincent Caiazza on Joseph Toldeo's ability to deliver under pressure

Bring 'The Heat'

Gerristen Beacher wins split decision at Barclays

BY JOSEPH STASZEWSKI

That last time Heather "The Heat" Hardy competed at Barclays Center, the fight didn't end with the usual celebration when an accidental head butt led to a no contest, so the Gerritsen Beach native was glad to get back to her usual routine a little more than a month later, being lifted up around the boxing ring in jubilation.

"I wanted to be carried around that ring so bad last time," Hardy said. "I had to wait this whole time for that."

Hardy got her wish after she remained undefeated with a split-decision victory, 77-75, 75-77, 79-73, over St. Petersburg, Fla., fighter Noemi Bosques in a featherweight bout at Barclays Center last Friday night.

The eight-round bout was part of the Premier Boxing Champions undercard headlined by the Amir Khan-Chris Algieri battle. Hardy didn't believe her fight was as close as the judges saw it. She gave Bosques just the first and third rounds, but was pleased with another victory.

The bout was considered a big jump up in competition for Hardy. Bosques is the No. 3 ranked bantamweight in the country. She came up a weight class to fight her.

"I really, really wanted someone where we could showcase what women's boxing was about on a stage like this," Hardy said.

After a strong start, Bosques gained some confidence in the third and fourth rounds. Hardy said she was overanxious for a knock-out and standing in front of Bosques too much. That allowed her opponent to land some big punches and impress the judges. Hardy quickly adjusted and controlled the fight the rest of the way. Her jab was effective for most of the bout.

"My coaches were trying to tell me to step back and then



NO. 1: Hardy remained undefeated with a victory over Noemi Bosques at Barclays Center on May 29.

Photo by Steven Schnibbe

step in with quick combinations," Hardy said.

She did just that especially well in a strong fifth round. Hardy landed two hard right-left combinations and was getting her head out of the way of Bosques's big shots. She also focused more on body blows in the later rounds. The strategy slowly wore Bosques down. It left her grabbing Hardy often to slow the fight down.

"She actually saw and made the slips at the appropriate times," Hardy's trainer Devon Cormack said. "Before she was basically thinking to go in and hit."

Hardy's adjustment got her back in the win column and

back to her usual position on the shoulders of supporters being carried around the ring.

"I'm so happy right now," Hardy said. "I don't even know if I'm answering the questions right."

Her victory was part of a big night for Brooklyn fighters. Featherweight Chris Colbert earned a technical knock-out victory against Marquis Pierce in his pro debut. Wesley Ferrer bested Jose Miguel Castro by majority decision, 58-54, 57-55, 56-56 in a light-weight fight. Adam Kownacki won a 79-73, 79-73, 80-72, unanimous decision over Ytalo Perea in a heavyweight bout.



TAKE THAT: Boys & Girls's Olivier Gaussaint tries to spike the ball against Metropolitan's Tishawn Doolittle and Dominik Galazka in the championship match.

Photo by Caroll Alvarado

Volleyball title slips away from Boys & Girls

BY PATRICK MCCORMACK

The Boys & Girls players allowed overconfidence to creep in, and it cost them.

The second-seeded Kangaroos were just three points away from closing out No. 4 Metropolitan Campus in the second set and celebrating a city championship. Expecting victory instead of seizing it, Boys & Girls let the set and the title slip away.

"We got a little bit too loose," said Kangaroos coach Leroy White. "We let them come back, we figured the three points would be ours. We let that game get away from us."

Metropolitan scored eight-straight points to win the second set, and held off Boys & Girls in the final frame to win 23-25, 25-22, 25-20, in the Public School Athletic League Class B city final at Hunter College on May 27. The Kangaroos carried the shock of dropping the second set into the third, and it showed.

"The guys were hoping we would do it in two and sweep, but when they got to the third round they were

agitated. They had to work a little more," White said.

Metropolitan (12-2), which finished second in its division, ran into problems in the third set. The Knights led 18-9 before Boys & Girls (15-1) went on a 10-2 rally to cut the lead to 20-19. Bryan Vasquez responded with a kill to increase the Knights' lead to 21-19. Tishawn Doolittle, who had 12 kills, made some big plays down the stretch to help Metropolitan wrap up the final set 25-20.

The Knights learned from seeing Boys & Girls faltering down the stretch of the second set. They weren't going to let that happen to them.

"I told them when we were up big, 'Hey listen, I see you think we got this and you are relaxing,'" said Metropolitan coach Thomas Shean. "'But remember the other team thought they had the match just before and they relaxed, so play hard.'"

Down 16-11 in the first set, Boys & Girls rallied to go ahead 24-23 behind the play of Donte Myers. Metropolitan
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Tough loss for Madison softball

Late lead slips away from Golden Knights in semifinal heartbreaker

BY JOSEPH STASZEWSKI

James Madison never recovered from the emotional swing of the game's biggest play.

Second-seeded Susan Wagner tied the score on a hit batter and an obstruction call at third base in the bottom of the seventh inning. It later got a walk-off single from Kerri Kelly in the bottom of the eighth to hand No. 3 Madison a heartbreaking 5-4 defeat in the Public School Athletic League Class A softball semifinals on May 30 at the College of Staten Island. It is Madison's second-straight loss in the final four.

The seventh inning obstruction call was the turning point.

"That's when we started to think about it too much," said Madison shortstop Taylor Trim. "It all went down hill from there."

Madison (16-5) appeared to have stolen its way to the Public School Athletic League Class A softball title game when leadoff hitter Trim reached on a walk with out two outs in the top of the sixth. She stole second, then stole third, and put Madison ahead 4-3 when the throw sailed into left field.

"From the beginning I told myself, 'be aggressive,' and that's all I could do," Trim said. "I just wanted to get home. I wanted to win. I wanted to go to the championship."



HEAT UP: Madison ace Isabella Gerone struck out seven in a loss to Susan Wagner in the semifinals.

Photo by Joseph Staszewski

Ace Isabella Gerone set down Wagner (17-4) in order in the bottom of the inning, but with two strikes she hit No. 9 batter Nicole Williams to start the seventh. She was bunted over to second and the next batter singled to left.

Williams blew threw coach Marco Altieri's stop sign and collided with Maegan Butrico at third. Williams appeared to be thrown out at home, but the third-base umpire ruled obstruction and awarded Wagner the tying run to make it 4-4.

The Golden Knights went quietly in the top of the eighth. A single and an error put runners on first and third with no

outs for Wagner in the bottom of the frame. Altieri pinch-hit the heavy-hitting Kelly with one ball on Kiera Rodriguez. Kelly gave him a better chance of getting a ball hit into the outfield to bring in a run. She served the first pitch she saw into left field to end the game.

"We stole a run. They got a run back, and then unfortunately they got another one," said Madison coach Thomas Mobilia.

Madison, which has lost its two previous meetings with Wagner, picked up where it left off in the quarterfinals at the plate. Jenna Graffeo drove in Gerone with a run-batted-in single to give the Golden Knights a 1-0 lead in the opening inning. Wagner responded by scoring three times off Gerone in the bottom of the first to take a 3-1 lead. Trim and Valerie Horton both drove in runs with singles in the top of the second to tie the score at 3-3.

Gerone was superb after that. The junior allowed two runs on six hits the rest of the way and struck out six in the game. She changed her pitching motion two weeks ago, but went back to her old ways in hope of increasing her strikeouts. She shook off the slow start.

"I didn't want to think about it too much and knew I could do it," Gerone said. "I just tried to pitch my best."

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Madison semis loss a step forward in softball title quest



JOE KNOWS

by Joe Staszewski

It was not the ending to the season James Madison wanted.

The pain from the extra-inning loss in the softball semifinals only goes away if the game becomes a stepping stone to a storybook finish next season.

After Isabella Gerone slumped over, hands on her knee, as the ball Susan Wagner's Kerri Kelly hit to left field to score the winning run was thrown back into the infield. The junior looked like she wanted to throw another pitch immediately. That will have to wait until next March after Madison lost a one-run seventh-inning lead before falling 5-4 a frame later last Saturday.

"For next year, I think we all see what we need to do and how we have to act," said Gerone.

The Golden Knights graduate just two seniors and the majority of the roster is made up of sophomores. That includes starting outfielder Gabrielle Grimes, who was academically ineligible for the playoffs for eight innings.

"Hopefully, next year they do the right thing — it is student-athlete — and they will be playing the whole season," Madison coach Thomas Mobilia said.

Missing players aside, the year was still a step forward for Madison. It won its division outright and showed plenty of toughness on its way to the semifinals.

It wasn't ready for the stage of the final four last year. It was Mobilia's first trip there as well as his players. They lost 10-0 in five innings to then-defending champion Construction. Madison learned from that. It came to the College of Staten Island expecting to win, not just hoping to, and was better prepared to compete.

"They know what it was about," Mobilia said. "The stage didn't shock them this time. They knew what to expect. We got here early and went to the cages. We did everything that we had to do."

The next thing to do is to win, not just come close.

Madison will be a veteran team next year, and will have two of the city's best players in Gerone and shortstop Taylor Trim. Madison last won a Public School Athletic League Class A title in 2010 when Kayla Hill controlled the Tottenville bats for eight innings.

There is no reason that shouldn't be the goal again next year, and Madison will be even more prepared to take that next step. A break here, a break there, and the Golden Knights would be playing for the crown at St. John's University this weekend.

Instead, Madison's demeanor changed after Wagner tied the score in the bottom of the seventh. The crispness from the first seven frames let up a bit and an error opened the door for Wagner in the eighth.

Madison learned from its semifinal appearance a year ago. If it does so again, a title will be within its grasp.

"It's definitely a step in the right direction," Trim said. "I'm a sophomore. I hope to return to semis next year again and take it even further. We definitely get something from each time we come here."

Madison baseball title run cut short

BY DAVID RUSSELL AND STEPHEN ZITOLO

James Madison saw its dream of playing for a city title at Yankee Stadium cut short on Saturday when Tottenville's Brandon Seltzer looped a walk-off single over Madison's drawn-in infield in the bottom of the eighth inning.

That gave top-seeded Tottenville a 3-2 victory in the decisive Game 3 of the Public School Athletic League Class AAA baseball semifinal series on May 30 in Huguenot. Madison was kept off the scoreboard after the second inning.

"You're talking about good pitching," said Madison coach Vincent Caiazza. "Good pitching stops good hitting."

Caiazza sent Robert Howe to the mound for the first time this season. The first four Pirates got on, with two scoring,



AND HOWE: Madison starter Robert Howe retired 12 straight batters after allowing two runs in the first inning against Tottenville.

Photo by Steven Schnibbe

but Howe settled down and retired the next 12 batters he faced.

"The first inning was a little rough, I was trying to find myself," Howe said. "I couldn't throw strikes, I started throw-

ing strikes, things started happening."

Jordan Wilson's two-run double off Reyan Mustafoski tied the score at 2-2 for Madison in the second inning. The Golden Knights left nine men on base.

Howe had a chance to put the Knights ahead in the seventh with two on and one out, but he could not deliver. Tottenville reliever Ryan Bartley came on and got him to bounce into a double play.

The game almost ended in the bottom of the seventh. Joseph Sadallah drilled a liner to left with the potential winning run on third with two outs. Madison's Joseph Toldeo made a diving catch to take away a hit and kept Madison's hopes alive.

"He's been doing that all year," Caiazza said. "He comes

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SAFE! Jordan Wilson's two-run double off Reyhan Mustafoski tied the score at 2-2 for Madison in the second inning. Photo by Steve Solomonson

BASEBALL

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up clutch. As I told them, "Two-clutch plays. The kid hit a line drive in the clutch, and he made the catch in the clutch."

Madison (18-4) put runners on second and third with two outs in the eighth, but Bartley got Charles Prevette to ground out to second. Howe returned to pitch the eighth inning with Caiazza not thinking twice about pulling him before the start of the inning.

After a leadoff single and a walk, Caiazza went to Anthony Mascolo. Tottenville's Everett Rodriguez, who was attempting to move the runners over, bunted for a single to load the bases with no outs.

Caiazza had no choice but to bring the infield in, but Brandon Seltzer hit a loop over the shortstop, landing in shallow left to provide a tough ending.

"You came this far, fall with a bloop single," Howe said.

Madison forced the final game behind a dominant pitching performance from Shawn James and the speed of centerfielder Jordan Wilson in a 5-1 Game 2 victory the day before in Brooklyn.

James showed his ability to work in and out of trouble. He loaded the bases in

the fourth and sixth innings. He got a strike out of Daniel Digeorgio to end the fourth. Tottenville (18-1) won the series' first game 4-1.

Madison's defense saved the day in the sixth when Wilson made a game-saving diving catch in centerfield and proceeded to double off Nicholas Manzella at third base.

James scattered seven hits over six innings of work and struck out three.

"He gutted it out," Caiazza said.

Wilson also changed the game with his bat and speed. He reached base in all three of his plate appearances by walking twice and singling. Wilson also stole four bases and scored three of Madison's five runs.

"As a leadoff hitter, you got to get on base and you got to steal," Wilson said. "My dad has always told me that as a leadoff hitter you got to control the game."

Madison didn't win the series, but it dropped Tottenville from the ranks of the unbeaten in league play, and proved it belongs among the city's top teams.

"Before the season started, we weren't even mentioned in the top 10 in the rankings," James said. "To come here and be ranked fourth in the city, and then to give Tottenville their first loss, it feels really good."

Flashy Flatbush native Colbert wins pro debut

BY JOSEPH STASZEWSKI

Chris "B-Hop" Colbert was so confident he would win his first professional fight he was more concerned with just living up to his own hype — and his nickname.

"I was more nervous to look bad," Colbert said. "I talk a lot, so I had to back it up."

The 18-year-old Flatbush-native, who began boxing at the age of 13, earned the nickname B-Hop three years ago because of his friendship with legendary fighter Bernard Hopkins. He also carried himself with the same showboating swagger as the future Hall of Famer. At the weigh-in, Colbert — who had "B-Hop" shaved in the back of his head — told opponent Marquis Pierce he was going to "whoop" him.

B-Hop delivered on his promise.

Colbert, still in high school, knocked down the 25-year-old Pierce late in the first round with a straight right to the temple. He landed a similar punch in the second, sending Pierce flying into the ropes. The referee immediately stopped the fight at 1:31 of the second round to award Colbert a memorable victory Friday night in Brooklyn. The bout was part of the Premier Boxing Champions undercard headlined by the Amir Khan-Chris Algieri fight.

"Not a lot of people get to make their pro debut in their hometown," Colbert said.

B-Hop isn't known for his punching power, but he certainly showcased his fist-force for the Brooklyn fans. Colbert, who is signed with top manager Al Haymon, described himself as an accurate puncher. Once he landed the big right in the first round he



PUNCHING POWER: Chris "B-Hop" Colbert, in the zebra shorts, knocked down Marquis Pierce late in the first round with a straight right to the temple. Photo by Steven Schnibbe

knew it would be there again when he needed it.

"I faked to the body and came up top with the right hand," Colbert said. "I knew it was going to land because he kept ducking."

Boxing has provided an escape from a tough neighborhood and family life for Colbert. Neither of his parents was on hand to see him compete. Colbert's coach Aureliano Sosa, who has known him since he was 11, has become a father figure to him and handles the task of keeping him in line.

"Most of the time he stays over my house, and we keep him out of trouble," Sosa said.

Despite this being his first pro fight, Colbert was already a veteran in the ring. He's had more than 50 amateur fights and has won multiple titles, including the Daily News Golden Gloves last year, USA Nationals, and Silver Glove nationals, among others. He

was the No. 3-ranked fighter nationally at 114 pounds as an amateur, and No. 1 at 123. Colbert decided to by pass on a chance to try to qualify for the 2016 Olympics.

"He's a camera kid," Sosa said. "He was ready for the hype."

The day didn't start as well as it ended for Colbert. He came to the area without his custom-made zebra boxing shorts. He had a spare, but was on his way to the ring when the originals were run over from near Junior's Restaurant to Barclays Center.

"I was ready, but if I had to go out there and fight in my drawers I would have did it," Colbert said.

It further insured Colbert looked good while defeating Pierce.

"I just knew today was going to be a special day," Colbert said. "I just had to come here and show up, and do what I do best — and that's fight."

SOFTBALL

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Madison's best wasn't good enough, but it was certainly an improvement from a 10-0 run-rule loss to Construction in last season's semifinal. With just two seniors on the roster the Golden Knights still take this game as something to build off of for next season.

"This is maybe the second game where I really saw us come together," Gerone said. "I could see everyone really wanted it. For next year, we all see what we need to do."

VOLLEYBALL

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tan hit the next ball out to secure the Kangaroos' win of the first set. The play of Marlon Glynn and Olivier Gaussaint put Boy & Girls in a great position to close out the championship, but then the wheels started to come off.

The Kangaroos kept fighting, but the end result didn't go its way.

"It was a test of who can come out and play the best volleyball," White said. "We did our best. We stuck together. We didn't lose faith unless that last ball hit the floor."

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Notice of Formation of BROOKLYN MATE, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 03/18/15. Office location: Kings County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o U.S. Corp. Agents, Inc., 7014 13th Ave., Ste. 202, Brooklyn, NY 11228, regd. agent upon whom and at which process may be served. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

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Notice of formation of FRUSTACI RE HOLDING LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NYS Department of State on 5/13/2015. Office located in Kings County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to the LLC at 257 54th Street, Brooklyn, New York 11220. Formed to engage in all lawful purposes.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of limited liability company (LLC). Name: **WEBINHABIT SERVICES LLC.** Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 04/28/2015. Office location: Kings County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom

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process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: YORAM AHARONY 122 WEST STREET APT 3C BROOKLYN, NY 11222. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of limited liability company (LLC). Name: **SILOVSKY STUDIOS LLC.** Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 04/15/2015. 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: JOSEPH SILOVSKY 169 54TH ST #4 BROOKLYN, NY 11232. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of limited liability company (LLC). Name: **EVERYMAN WORKS LLC.** Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 05/05/2015. 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 344 UNION STREET BROOKLYN, NY 11231. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 69 BTM, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 05/16/14. The latest date of dissolution is 12/31/2113. Office location: Kings County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 69 Brooklyn Terminal Market, Brooklyn, New York 11236. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of limited liability company (LLC). Name: **BBBYO LLC.** Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 03/20/2015. 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: DAVID GOODISON 739 MANHATTAN AVE 3L BROOKLYN, NY 11222. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of limited liability company (LLC). Name: **SIDE DOOR PICTURES LLC.** Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 03/31/2015. Office location: Kings County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: C/O UNITED STATES CORPORATION AGENTS, INC. 7014 13TH AVENUE BROOKLYN, NY 11228. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of limited liability company (LLC). Name: **VELMA VIE LLC.** Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/11/2014. 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: C/O UNITED STATES CORPORATION AGENTS, INC. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of limited liability company (LLC). Name: **A VI GICHEE LLC.** Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 04/18/2013. Office location: Kings County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: C/O UNITED

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of limited liability company (LLC). Name: **LXY II, LLC.** Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 04/22/2015. 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 900 GRAND STREET BROOKLYN, NY 11211. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of limited liability company (LLC). Name: **VARVERI & ASSOCIATES, LLC.** Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/29/2015. 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 99 70TH ST. BROOKLYN, NY 11209. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of limited liability company (LLC). Name: **BOWERY BOYS MEDIA, LLC.** Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 03/11/2015. 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: GREG YOUNG 311 BALTIC STREET APT 4A BROOKLYN, NY 11201. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of limited liability company (LLC). Name: **FEASTIVE, LLC.** Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 04/30/2015. Office location: Kings County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of LOREN BOGGS, LLC. Art. of Org. filed w/Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/20/15. Office location: Kings County. SSNY designated as agent for service of process. SSNY shall mail process to 7014 13 Ave. #202, Bklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

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Notice of Formation of One Brooklyn Health, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State on 5/6/15. Office location: Kings County. Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: One Brookdale Plaza, Brooklyn, NY 11212, LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: principal business address. Purpose: all lawful purposes.

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Notice of Formation of THE HERO LAB, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 05/20/15. Office location: Kings County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207, regd. agent upon whom and at which process may be served. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of ZK GLOBAL ELECTRONICS LLC. Art. of Org. filed w/Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/13/15. Office location: Kings County. SSNY designated as agent for service of process. SSNY shall mail process to 2940 Ocean Pkwy. #1A, Bklyn, NY 11235. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

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Notice of Qualification of 1300 Flushing Venture LLC. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State on 5/13/15. Office location: Kings County. Princ. bus. addr.: One Post Office Square, Ste. 3150, Boston, MA 02109. LLC formed in DE on 1/28/15. NY Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: c/o CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011, regd. agent upon whom process may be served. DE addr. of LLC: 1209 Orange St., Wilmington, DE 19801. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Sec. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: all lawful purposes.

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Notice of Qualification of AV Prospect Owner LLC. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State on 5/21/15. Office location: Kings County. Princ. bus. addr.: One Post Office Square, Ste. 3150, Boston, MA 02109. LLC formed in DE on 4/22/15. NY Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: c/o CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011, regd. agent upon whom process may be served. DE addr. of LLC: c/o The Corporation Trust Co., 1209 Orange St., Wilmington, DE 19801. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Sec. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: all lawful purposes.

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Notice of Qualification of Cenpatico Behavioral Health, LLC. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State on 4/30/15. Office location: Kings County. LLC formed in CA on 10/5/00. NY Sec. of State designated agent of

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LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: c/o CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011, regd. agent upon whom process may be served. Principal office address: 12515-8 Research Blvd., Suite 400, Austin, TX 78759. Cert. of Org. filed with CA Sec. of State, 1500 11th St., Sacramento, CA 95814. Purpose: all lawful purposes.

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Notice of Qualification of Marine Terminal Parking, L.P. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State on 4/29/15. Office location: Kings County. Princ. bus. addr.: Ponce City Market, 675 Ponce de Leon Ave., NE, 7th Fl., Atlanta, GA 30308. LP formed in DE on 11/8/13. NY Sec. of State designated agent of LP upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011. DE addr. of LP: 1209 Orange St., Wilmington, DE 19801. Name/addr. of genl. ptr. available from NY Sec. of State. Cert. of LP filed with DE Sec. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: all lawful purposes.

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Notice of Qualification of NCN Management, LLC. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State on 4/10/15. Office location: Kings County. Princ. bus. addr.: 3512 Quentin Rd., Ste. 110, Brooklyn, NY 11234. LLC formed in DE on 1/30/15. NY Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: c/o CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011, regd. agent upon whom process may be served. DE addr. of LLC: 2711 Centerville Rd., Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Sec. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: all lawful purposes.

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Notice of Qualification of PACIFIC PARK 550 VANDERBILT, LLC. Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 05/07/15. Office loca-

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tion: Kings County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 10/21/14. Princ. office of LLC: One Metrotech Center, 23rd Fl., Brooklyn, NY 11201. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o Corporation Service Co. (CSC), 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543, regd. agent upon whom and at which process may be served. DE addr. of LLC: CSC, 2711 Centerville Rd., Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Secy. of State, Div. of Corps., John G. Townsend Bldg., 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

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Notice of Qualification of vXchnge-Facilities, LLC. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State on 4/2/15. Office location: Kings County. LLC formed in DE on 1/5/15. NY Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: 1501 W. Cleveland St., Tampa, FL 33606, principal business address. DE address of LLC: 1209 Orange St., Wilmington, DE 19801. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Sec. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: all lawful purposes.

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Notice of Qualification of vXchnge Operating, LLC. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State on 4/2/15. Office location: Kings County. LLC formed in DE on 5/7/13. NY Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: 1501 W. Cleveland St., Tampa, FL 33606, principal business address. DE address of LLC: 1209 Orange St., Wilmington, DE 19801. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Sec. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: all lawful purposes.

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Notice of Qual. of One Edge Marina Finance Company, LLC, Auth. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 4/22/15. Office loc: Kings County. LLC org. in DE 3/16/15. SSNY

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desig. as agent of LLC upon whom proc. against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of proc. to: CSC, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. DE office addr.: 2711 Centerville Rd., Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Form. on file: SSDE, Townsend Bldg., Dover, DE 19901. Purp: any lawful activities.

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Pie Craft LLC Arts of Org. filed SSNY 5/15/15. Office: Kings Co. SSNY design. agent of LLC upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy to 2007 65th St. Brooklyn, NY 11204. Purpose: any lawful activity.

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PRIVEYL PROPERTIES, LLC, a domestic LLC, filed with the SSNY on 5/18/15. Office location: Kings County. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to The LLC, 252 E. 23rd St., Brooklyn, NY 11226. General purpose.

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RDD Media LLC Arts of Org. filed SSNY 3/17/15. Office: Kings Co. SSNY design. agent of LLC upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy to 167 Monitor St. 1st Fl. Brooklyn, NY 11222. Purpose: any lawful activity.

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RELLA ROW, LLC Art. Of Org. Filed Sec. of State of NY 4/9/2015. Off. Loc.: Kings Co. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY to mail copy of process to The LLC, 26 Court Street, Suite 409, Brooklyn, NY 11242. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity.

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ROLLING STREAM LLC filed an App. for Authority with the Dept. of State of NY on 3/23/2015. Jurisdiction: DE and the date of its organization is: 3/19/2015. Office location in NYS: Kings County. The Secretary of the State of NY ("SSNY") is designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served, the address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of

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such process is: The LLC, 137 Montague St., Brooklyn NY 11201. Address maintained in its jurisdiction is: 615 S. Dupont Hwy, Dover DE 19901. The authorized officer in its jurisdiction of organization where a copy of its Certificate of Formation can be obtained is: DE Sect'y of State; 401 Federal St. Dover DE 19901. The purpose of the company is: any lawful act.

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SLATE EQUITIES LLC. Art. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/15/14. Office: Kings County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Slate Equities LLC, 1172 Putnam Ave, Apt 2, Brooklyn, NY 11221. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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SOUNDTOWN, LLC, a domestic LLC, filed with the SSNY on 3/19/15. Office location: Kings County. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to The LLC, 252 E. 23rd St., Brooklyn, NY 11234. General purpose.

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SOUNDTOWN, LLC, a domestic LLC, filed with the SSNY on 3/19/15. Office location: Kings County. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to The LLC, 1683 Utica Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11234. General purpose.

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SQUARE INDIGO PM LLC. Art. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/22/15. Office: Kings County. SSNY designated

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as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 94 DeKalb Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11201. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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THE PROSPECTOR, LLC, a domestic LLC, filed with the SSNY on 4/20/15. Office location: Kings County. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Jane Rennert, 207 Prospect Park SW, Apt. 9A, Brooklyn, NY 11218. General purpose.

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YNL REALTY LLC, a domestic LLC, filed with the SSNY on 4/9/15. Office location: Kings County. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to The LLC, 1842 E. 12th St., 1st Fl., Brooklyn, NY 11229. General purpose.

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Notice of Qualification of Jamestown Urban Management, L.P. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State on 5/1/15. Office location: Kings County. Princ. bus. addr.: Ponce City Market, 675 Ponce de Leon Ave., NE, 7th Fl., Atlanta, GA 30308. LP formed in DE on 4/27/15. NY Sec. of State designated agent of LP upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011. DE addr. of LP: 1209 Orange St., Wilmington, DE 19801. Name/addr. of genl. ptr. available from NY Sec. of State. Cert. of LP filed with DE Sec. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: all lawful purposes.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a Hotel Wine license, #1286106 has been applied for by 46 Nevins Street Associates & IHG Management LLC to sell beer and wine at retail in a Hotel. For on premises consumption under the ABC law at 46 Nevins Street Brooklyn, NY 11217.

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Notice is hereby given that a restaurant wine license, #TBA has been applied for by My Sweet Ribs LLC to sell beer and wine at retail in an on premises establishment. For on premises consumption under the ABC law at 364 Atlantic Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11217.

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- 3095..... Ernest Jr, Newton
- 3198..... Spektor, Polina
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